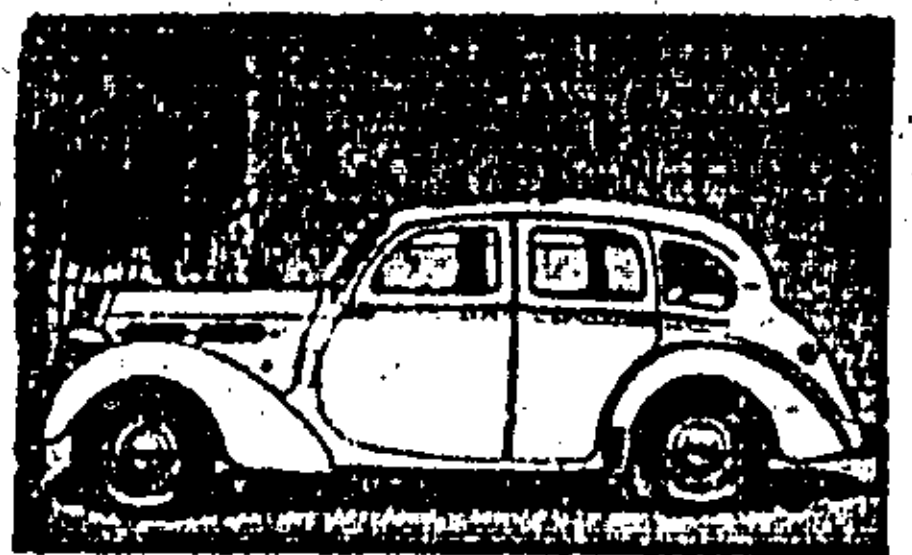


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SOVIET SEVERES RELATIONS WITH HUNGARIANS

BRITONS MUST HAVE JAPANESE PASS PORTS!

SHANGHAI, Feb. 2. THE "TRANS-OCEAN" representative at Hankow reports that the Japanese Consulate there has notified all foreign consulates that as from Sunday next, all foreigners in Hankow must carry passports issued by the Japanese authorities.

These must be shown when passing Japanese sentries posted at the entrances to the various districts.

Hitherto this has been demanded only of Chinese nationals.—*Trans-Ocean*.

STIRRING DEFENCE OF JEWS

Hitler Impeached In World Appeal

GENEVA, Feb. 2. THE TEXT OF A statement issued by the headquarters of the World Jew Congress was issued tonight, and is as follows:

"In view of the outrageous attacks against the world of Jewry made by the Chancellor of the Reich in his last speech, it is our duty to make it known to the governments and public opinion in civilised nations, the profound indignation felt by millions of Jews represented by the World Jew Congress.

THREAT OF EXTERMINATION

"The head of the German Government not only insults our unfortunate Jews in Germany, whose lives are made intolerable by high regime, who are prevented from praying in their synagogues or even from seeking an asylum elsewhere; is not content to ridicule nations who are endeavouring to help the victims of Nazi persecution; who does not confine himself to threatening millions of Jews with complete extermination, but is trying to stir up all the nations of the world against them.

"The Chancellor of the Reich even affirms that it is not Germany which threatens the peace of the world, but that it is the Jews who want war.

"We repudiate firmly, and with horror, this outrageous accusation coming from a man whose notorious book 'Mein Kampf' vindicates the necessity of war, which alone, according to him, is capable of realising the aims of his policy."

SEPTEMBER CRISIS

"We desire to recall to the world that the countries which, in September last, in their lust for conquest, brought the world to the brink of a most dreadful catastrophe, and who, by so-called 'national' aspirations, recently created a new and extremely dangerous crisis.

"It is in just those countries where the Jews exert no influence whatever, and where the Jews do not even possess elementary rights.

"If the Jews have been eliminated from national life, this is precisely because their religion, their mentality, their sentiments, and their traditions are opposed to every enterprise of aggression and violence, and to every act contrary to the laws of humanity and solidarity between men."—*United Press*.

Aid For China Not Pressure On Japan

Tokyo, Feb. 2. Mr. Arita, Foreign Minister, stated today that it is too much to assume that economic pressure against Japan has been precipitated increased.

He denied that British and American assistance to China and American aid to the Chinese Government was directed against Japan.

The Foreign Minister reiterated that Japan does not intend to close the open door to Third Powers. He said the establishment of a new order was to enable all people to assume their proper place.—*United Press*.

"NO LONGER AN INDEPENDENT COUNTRY," MOSCOW ALLEGES

MOSCOW, FEB. 2. M. MAXIM LITVINOV, THE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER, HAS INFORMED THE HUNGARIAN MINISTER THAT THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO SEVER DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH HUNGARY.

The decision has been taken owing to German pressure on Hungarian affairs, and because of Hungary's adhesion to the anti-Comintern Pact.

M. Litvinov informed the Hungarian Minister that the Soviet Legation at Budapest would be closed, and the Soviet Government expected the closure of the Hungarian mission in Moscow.

According to the official agency, the decision of the Soviet is connected with the fact that as a result of the Munich agreement, Hungary has lately been subjected to strong pressure by certain

States, and the "policy of the Hungarian Government shows that it easily yielded to this pressure and has lost its independence to a considerable degree."

AGGRESSIVE AIMS

It is pointed out that the decision of the Hungarian Government to join the anti-Comintern Pact cannot be justified by the interests of the Hungarian State itself, which by no means coincide with the aggressive aims pursued under the guise of this pact by its participants, and in the first place by Japan.

Consequently, the decision has been forced upon the Hungarian Government from outside.

Soviet circles explain that distinction is made between other signatories of the pact and Hungary because the other signatories are still independent States. It is declared that "Hungary is now a vassal of the Rome-Berlin axis, and does not deserve full diplomatic status."—*Reuter*.

DEFENCE ORGANISATION Shadow Scheme Protects Civilians

LONDON, Feb. 2. A COMPREHENSIVE SCHEME for the organisation of civil defence, involving the provisional appointment of regional political governors, is announced by Sir John Anderson.

KING ACTS IN CRISIS IN BELGIUM

BRUSSELS, Feb. 2. KING LEOPOLD'S intervention in certain questions of home policy in the course of the Cabinet Council meeting held here to-day was stressed in a communique issued later by Premier Spaak.

The communique states that the King dwelt on the necessity firstly, of precision in matters of economic policy, secondly, of adoption of a budget to the financial resources of the country, and thirdly, of the development of social legislation.

The King also discussed the question of constitutional guarantees, and emphasised the principle of separation of executive and legislative powers, and insisted that administrative reforms should be carried out without further delay.

Informed quarters add that the king expressed the earnest desire that the constantly increasing friction between the parties in Parliament should be diminished in the interests of the nation.—*Trans-Ocean*.

Exchange Control In Shantung

PEKING, Feb. 2. Exchange control is functioning in Chefoo as from yesterday on Japanese naval orders that export permits will only be granted if export bills are sold through the Yokohama Specie Bank branch, which is only accepting them at the artificial rate of 1/2d per dollar.

Shippers are refusing to export, and their coastal vessels are sailing from Chefoo without cargo.—*Reuter*.

DEFENCE PROGRESS

LONDON, Feb. 2. The Prime Minister, in a statement in the House of Commons to-day said that the Re-Armament Advisory Panel of business men had reported that the services departments supported by the Treasury were rapidly accomplishing a most difficult task of great complexity with efficiency, foresight and vigour, in some cases establishing practically new industries in the country.

The Prime Minister said that the magnitude of the task was made more difficult by the fact that the Government had to maintain a high level of production of armaments and munitions.

\$250,000 FOR GOVT. SHIPS

FOUR NEW LAUNCHES, costing \$250,000, are under construction for the Hongkong Government, the "Telegraph" learns.

These vessels have been ordered by the Harbour Department.

Included in the orders is a new launch for the Postal Department, to be used for conveying mails across the harbour to and from Kowloon, and to and from ships in mid-stream.

Another launch, when commissioned, will replace the old Police Launch No. 10, while a third vessel will replace the Harbour Department launch No. 4.

The fourth vessel, which is being constructed at a cost of \$90,000, will be used as a control launch at Kai Tak Airport.

Roosevelt's Declaration WORLD REACTION TO PLEDGE OF AID FOR DEMOCRACY

REMARKABLE INTEREST has been aroused, throughout the entire world, by President Roosevelt's statement to the Senate Military Affairs Commission, in which he is stated to have pledged American support for democracy in the event of a war with the Totalitarians.

In England and France, newspapers and public speakers are unanimous in their expressions of gratification.

The "Manchester Guardian" says that President Roosevelt is merely expressing the fact that the ideals for which the United States stands will be won or lost, not on the Mississippi, but on the Rhine.

The "Labour Daily Herald" believes that war in Europe is a great deal less likely now that the Totalitarians know where America stands. It warns, however, that more should be read into the reports of Mr. Roosevelt's advice than was given.

CO-OPERATION IN CHINA

The "Manchester Guardian" believes that two conditions are necessary in order to secure American aid—a much sterner policy in Europe and close co-operation with the United States in the Far East.

The French Press unanimously welcomes President Roosevelt's declaration.

In Berlin, however, it is interpreted as an abandonment of the U.S. policy of neutrality.

In Paris "Le Jour" believes that President Roosevelt has succeeded in holding back from war the automatic states who are short of money.

In Berlin, the "Boetung Zeitung" leads the attack on President Roosevelt by saying that, accustomed as Germany is to polytechnics from the United States, no one would have believed it possible that such an incitement to war would have been issued 24 hours after the Fuehrer's speech.

WHEN U.S. WOULD FIGHT

In the United States public feeling is running at a high pitch of excitement.

One of the most significant utterances was by a former Republican President, Mr. Herbert Hoover.

Whilst condemning the secrecy to which President Roosevelt pledged the Senate Committee, President Hoover admitted that there was probably one thing that would almost certainly involve the United States in a war that would have the support of all the people.

"If British or French cities are bombed from the air, and there is mass slaughter of women and children, America would not stand by," he declared.

Senator Pittman says: "To refuse to permit the democracies to prepare their defences would be to aid the totalitarians."

DEMOCRATS STAND FIRM

Washington, Feb. 2. It is ascertained that protests against the Administration's secrecy as to the extent and nature of American commitments to sell war material to France and Britain have so far not enlisted the support of a numerically large group of Senators, and there are no signs that they will.

Criticism of President Roosevelt, which in some quarters is very sharp, is confined mostly to Republicans and Democrats already at odds with the Administration.

There are some indications that the secrecy issue will be disposed of very quickly to-morrow when the Senate Military Affairs Committee considers.

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VETERAN TO RAISE STANDARD

Ma Chan-shan To Fight Japanese

CHUNGKING, Feb. 2. A RELIABLE MILITARY source stated to-day that General Ma Chan-shan, who, shortly after the Mukden incident in 1931 resisted the Japanese advance toward North Manchuria at Ronni River, is going back to Manchuria to fight the Japanese.

This informant said that General Ma Chan-shan was at present commander of a "stiff advance army" which is fighting Japanese in western Szechuan, and his men are Manchurian native cavalry.

It is remembered that General Ma, after his Ronni battles surrendered to the Japanese outwardly, and the Japanese appointed him Minister of War in Manchukuo.

TRICKED JAPANESE

General Ma, after swallowing up a huge sum of Japanese money, and (Continued on Page 4.)

LATEST

Wang Ching-wei Departing On European Tour

It is confirmed from usually well-informed Chinese circles that Wang Ching-wei, former vice-president of the Kuomintang who was expelled from the party in consequence of his peace move at the end of last year, will shortly leave Hanoi for Europe.

The passport for which Wang recently applied to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, has already been released from Chungking. It is learned.

It is believed that he will sail directly to France from Hanoi, where he has been staying since his secret departure from Chungking on December 18 last year. He will be accompanied by his wife and Tang Chung-ming.

With confirmation of Wang's intention to leave for Europe, the Japanese reports to the effect that the former Kuomintang leader will join the puppet government in Nanking are dispelled.

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Hongkong People Rush To Join A. R. P. Work

THOUSANDS OF VOLUNTEERS have answered the call for recruits to join the Air Raid Precautions organisation in Hongkong.

This revelation was made by Wing-Commander A.H.S. Steele-Perkins, A.R.P. Officer in Hongkong, when interviewed by the "Telegraph" this morning.

Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins described the response to the appeal launched by his department as "overwhelmingly satisfactory."

"Both Europeans and Chinese have responded 'magnificently,' he declared. 'Men and women in the Colony have shown that they are keenly interested in A.R.P. work.'

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TRAINED

The A.R.P. Officer told the "Telegraph" that Government services have already been trained, in some cases, while others are busy taking courses.

"The Police Department has set for examinations, the Colonial Secretariat staff has been trained, and P.W.D. and Urban Council officials are prepared in A.R.P. work."

"The staffs of the Import and Export Department and of the Harbour Office are now undergoing training."

Twenty-two Air Raid sub-Committees have been formed under the Air Raid Warden scheme, Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins disclosed. The Wardens have already chosen their posts and are now recruiting personnel and training volunteers.

TRAMWAY TO LEAD

Among the private firms, the Hongkong Tramway Company has taken a distinctive lead and is now completely ready to protect itself and its employees against gas, fire and high explosives.

This Company, Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins revealed, has even gone so far as to request the Government to train one of its staff for anti-gas instruction. He has passed his examination and is now training many of the employees of the Company.

The Tramway Company is stated to have spent a considerable sum of money in bringing its organisation into a high pitch of efficiency.

Export Credits For China

LONDON, Feb. 2. Replying to the debate in the House of Commons to-day on the Export Guarantees Bill, Mr. R. A. Hudson said that if there were demands for railway and other equipment for China, he thought a transaction of the order and magnitude he had in mind would require terms of credit so lengthy, as hardly to fall within the purview of the Bill.

If it were decided to do something of that nature, the House might be sure that a special Bill would be brought in.

Mr. Hudson added that there were grave objections from the international viewpoint to publishing the exact amount of such a loan.

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White House Talks On Arms Needs

Washington, Feb. 2. At the request of Representative Taylor, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, President Roosevelt held a conference at the White House to-day on the arms needs.

Representative Louis Johnson and members of the appropriations committee attended, and one official expressed the opinion that the meeting would not be as comprehensive as last Tuesday's secret gathering of the Senate Military Affairs Committee.—*Reuter*.

SPAAR ATTACKED

BRUSSELS, Feb. 2. A group of demonstrators, mostly ex-servicemen, attacked Dr. Spaar near his home in a Brussels suburb to-day.

They held up his car as he was driving home, and as he stepped from the car they attacked him, and injured him.—*Reuter*.

H.K. BROADCAST TO U.S. Special Programme Across Pacific

FOR THE SECOND time in history, special programmes broadcast from ZBW have been relayed throughout the United States.

In response to a request from the National Broadcasting Corporation of America, Hongkong's broadcasting station went on the air at 9 o'clock yesterday morning.

Only the short-wave transmitter was used, the programme being picked up in Manila, and relayed from there by trans-Pacific radio-phones to San Francisco.

MILLIONS HEAR

From San Francisco, ZBW's special programme was broadcast through the N.B.C. network of stations to millions of American listeners.

The broadcast was made in conjunction with the North American Programme of the First International

Broadcast by the N.B.C. The first international broadcast was a relay, in 1929, of an orchestral concert from London to the United States over the N.B.C. network.

The singer from ZBW yesterday morning was Miss Law Shu-hing, who has also sung in both San Francisco and Honolulu. Typical Cantonese music was also relayed from Hongkong to American listeners.

Messages from the United States yesterday afternoon indicated that reception of ZBW's programme was good.

In addition to Hongkong, the N.B.C. relayed special programmes from Tokyo, Manila, and Honolulu.

DIAMONDS AND GOLD VANISH

£120,000 TREASURE MISSED FROM SHIP

Brussels.

WHEN the Belgian steamer Elisabethville arrived at Antwerp recently from the Congo it was found that diamonds and gold ingots to the value of £120,000 had disappeared from the ship's safe.

No trace of any attempt to force the safe open could, however, be found.

Police boarded the Elisabethville at Flushing and began an inquiry. When the steamer arrived at Antwerp no one was allowed to go on board.

FOUND IN LUGGAGE

A newspaper stated later that part of the missing valuables had been found in some luggage.

The diamonds and gold were apparently stolen from a strong-room where postal packages are kept.

During the voyage the captain found abandoned a box in which treasures are usually stored. He made inquiries which resulted in the discovery of the theft.—Reuter.

The Elisabethville (8,351 tons) is a passenger vessel belonging to the Cie. Maritime Belge (Lloyd Royal) S.A. (Agence Maritime Internationale, Managers) and registered at Antwerp.

Widow Pays £500 For Slander

FOR saying that a fellow-member of a London club had left the country because he was wanted by the police, Mrs. Sutton Chapman, a widow, formerly of Queen's Gate, Baywater, W., was ordered at Middlesex Sheriff's Court recently to pay £500 damages for slander, and costs.

The action which was not defended, was brought by Mr. Harry Woudstra, aged 31, of Old Oak-road, Acton, W.

Mr. Rodger Winn, for Mr. Woudstra, said Mrs. Sutton Chapman told members of the club that he had been refused admission to South Africa.

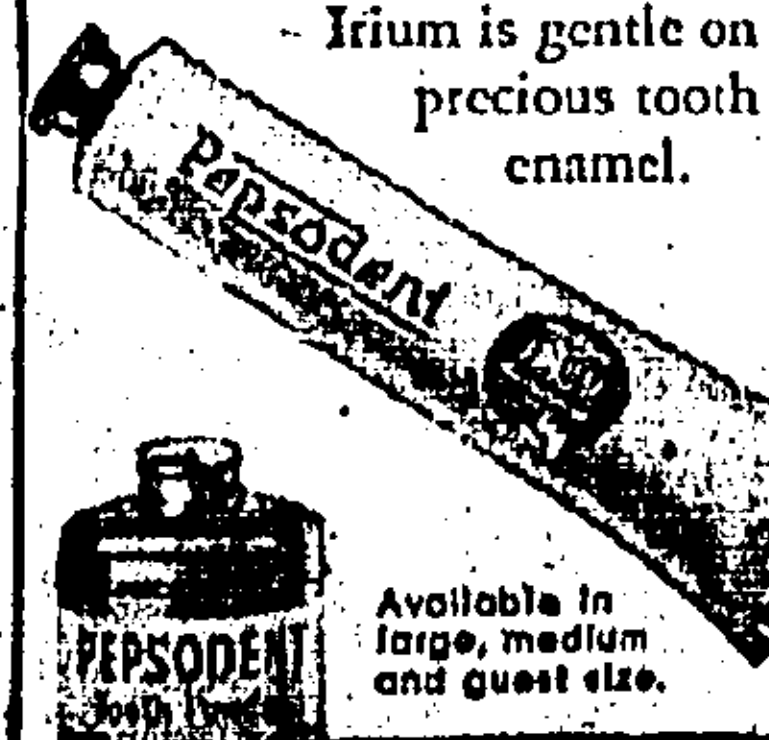
"That is utterly and completely untrue," said Mr. Winn. "There is not a shred of truth in any of these things that have been said."

Rosemary Lane, star of Warner Bros. Pictures, appearing in "Four Daughters"



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'Seek Top-Hat Burglar'

Mrs. Karen Ostler, wife of cinema magnate Mark Ostler, who was robbed of jewels worth nearly £10,000 on the eve of her wedding anniversary, advised Scotland-yard officers recently to look for a "top-hatted" burglar moving among the rich in the West End.

The gems were taken from a wall safe in her bedroom, at her home in Portland-place, W., while she and her husband were at a cinema.

She said: "The burglar took the diamond bracelet my husband gave me when my first baby was born, but left other expensive bracelets."

The King May Radio Instructions from U.S.A. to His Council of State in London

A COUNCIL of State will be appointed to act for the King while he and the Queen are on their Canadian and American tour in June. The Councilors will be the Duke of Gloucester, the Duke of Kent, the Princess Royal, and Princess Arthur of Connaught.

If the King had been travelling alone the Queen would have been the first Councilor.

By letters patent under the Great Seal the King will delegate to the Councilors of State certain of the Royal functions, including prerogative and statutory powers. They will also be empowered to receive any homage to be done to the King.

The functions will be specified in the letters patent, but they will not include power to dissolve Parliament. This remains in the personal control of the King.

Provision is made, however, so that if the Prime Minister should ask for a General Election in the King's absence, the request can be conveyed to the King, who can telegraph instructions to the Councilors.

This opens up the possibility, remote though it is, of the King dissolving Parliament in London by an edict issued from the seat of the American Government in Washington.

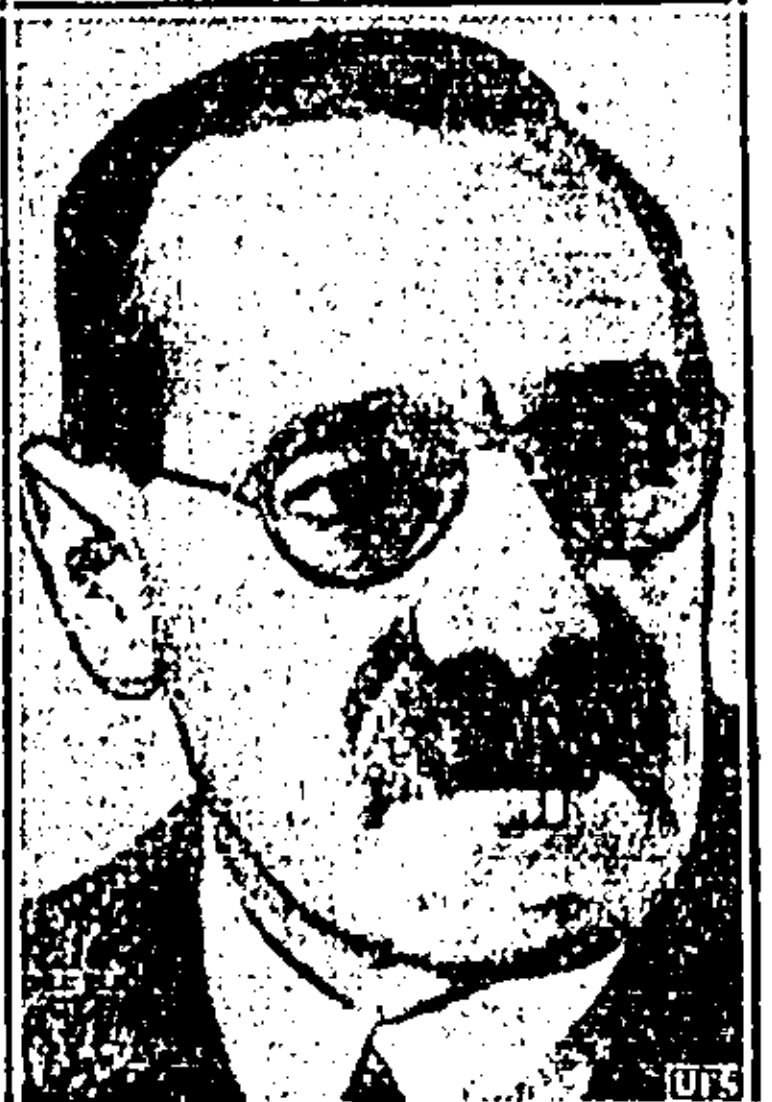
IN TOUCH WITH CABINET

From every important centre on his tour it will be possible for the King to get into touch with the Councilors of State or his Ministers in London.

The inauguration recently of the radio-telephone link between Britain and Newfoundland, which the King and Queen are to visit on their way home, has made these facilities complete.

In the event of any emergency the King would be able to take a personal part in any consultations.

The appointment of the Councilors of State will not require legislation. They will be the first Councilors to be appointed under the Regency Act of 1937, which provides permanent machinery for meeting three contingencies: the succession of a minor to the throne, the illness of the Sovereign, or the absence of the Sovereign from the country.



Because they tried to buy their way in by paying cash to purse-poor peacocks who might sponsor them, 68 girls and women have found their applications to be presented at the British court turned down by the Earl of Clarendon, above, British Lord Chamberlain. His office is rigidly attempting to stamp out this practice.

Kerosene Imbiber Lives

EDMONTON, Alta. Lee Boyle, 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Boyle, recovered in the hospital here from the effects of having drunk a can of coal oil.



This group of Chinese who recently left Hongkong on the President Pierce were organised for the purpose of visiting the two international expositions being held in America this year. They are travelling under the auspices of the American Express Company and being personally conducted by Professor Kiang Kang-hui, Consultant of the Library of Congress, Washington. The party will proceed first to San Francisco and later in the summer will journey across the States to see the World Fair at New York. Several members of the party will return here by way of the Pacific while the others will continue round the world via Europe and return towards the end of the year.

WHEN YOU WEAR YOUR GLOVES...

YEOVIL (Somerset). GEORGE MARGETTS, fifty-seven-year-old glove maker, sits at home in his council house at Stoke, near Yeovil, wondering when he will work again. He knows where his work has gone—to Czechoslovakia and Italy, where it helps to build bombers.

In Yeovil and the villages around, centre of England's age-old glove industry, most of the world's finest glove makers are working half time. Some, like George Margetts, have not worked for a year.

But what hopes? Foreigners are making nearly half the gloves worn in Britain. Czechoslovakia makes half of the gloves we import.

When George Margetts works he is paid 70s. a week but the Czechoslovakian must work for 30s. a week. Must George work for that? "Not likely," he says.

Now they are signing on at the

labour exchange for three days out of six.

Charles Blake, president of the National Glovers' Union, signs on at Yeovil Labour Exchange.

Rather than have half of their number working all the time and half idle, the glovers agree to share the burden of unemployment that Czechoslovakia and Italy have put on them.

The glovers lost to foreigners nearly £500,000 in wages last year up to October.

Foreigners sent 671,000 dozen pairs of leather gloves in that time—that is one pair for every fifth person in England. Scotland and Wales—enough work to last 5,000 glove-makers a year.

Czechoslovakia can sell gloves in this country at 40s. a dozen pairs, despite a 30 per cent. tariff. The nearest English type is 48s.

The industry asked the Import Duties Advisory Committee last week for a duty of 35 per cent., with a minimum duty of 15s. a dozen pairs. On the committee's decision rest the fate of George Margetts's livelihood and the future happiness of 15,000 glove workers.



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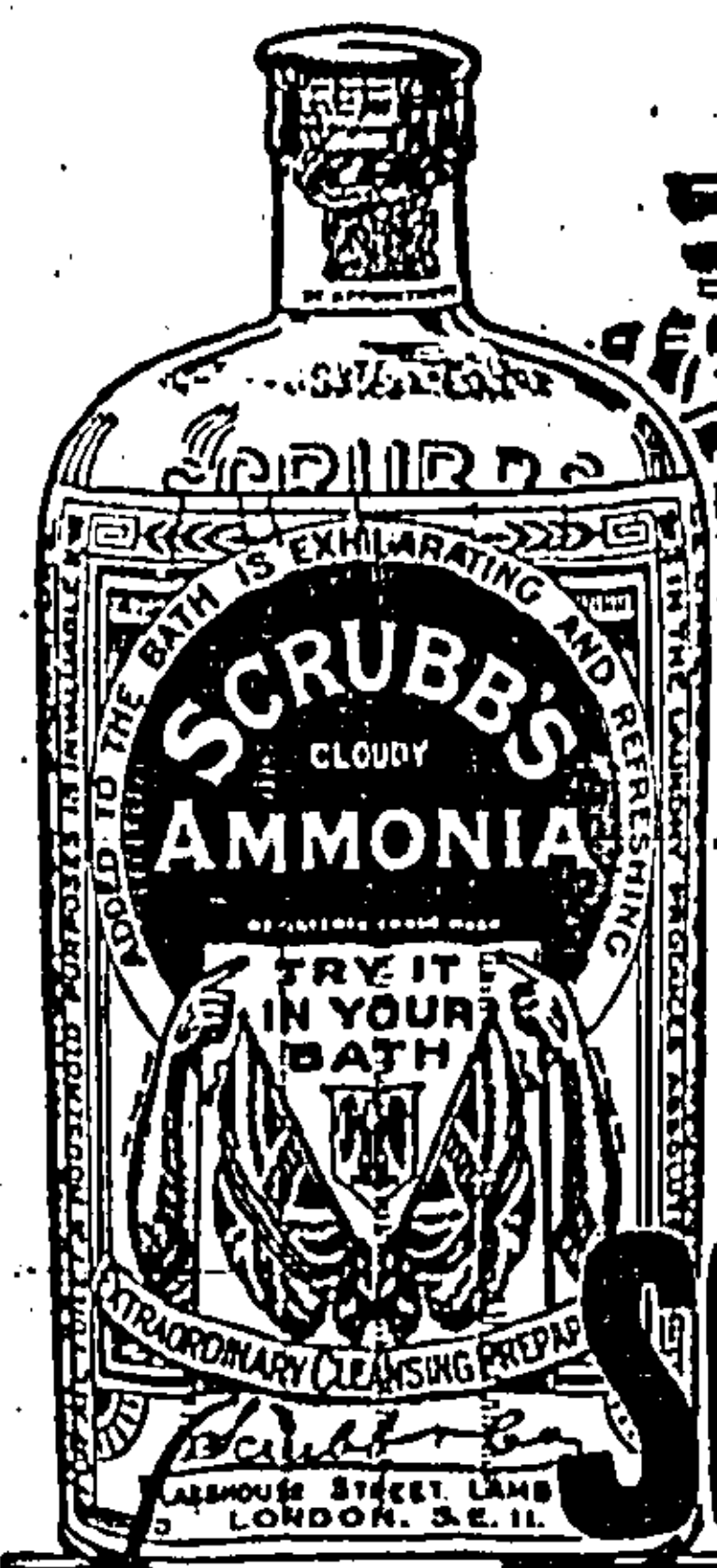
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Ex-Countess Threatened Breach of Promise Suit

OFFICER FOUGHT AT PARTY

Now They're Reconciled—"She's Withholding The Action"

MRS. W. H. PATTERSON—formerly the Countess Anna Monici—has instructed her solicitors to sue Capt. Henry Dobinson, friend of her late husband, for breach of promise.

Later he was involved in a fight at her studio-flat in Bloomsbury after a Christmas party—and recently they were reconciled—"the Countess has agreed to withhold the action for the time being," he said.

Mrs. Patterson is an artist—still signs her paintings "Monici"—opera singer, and formerly lived in Venice.

STAYED IN VENICE

Capt. Dobinson, a member of the Committee for Non-Intervention in Spain, has been her friend for many years, and was entertained at Venice by her and the Countess.

He served in the war with her second husband, who died a year ago. He stated recently that he still hoped the ex-countess would marry him.

Pointing to a deep cut on his forehead, Capt. Dobinson said: "Let me first assure you that this has nothing to do with the fight that followed the Countess's party, and has nothing to do with the proceedings that have been started against me for breach of promise."

"The fight occurred outside the flat, and arose because, I objected to remarks made by certain people at the party."

NOT HURT

"I was uninjured in the fight. The wound you see now happened some time later. I do not propose to discuss how it was received."

Referring to the breach threat, he said, "Some misunderstanding arose over a slight criticism I made of her paintings."

"While I think highly of her art, I told her that she should have a business man to sell her paintings and I agreed to help her in this

direction. I have already been working in collaboration with her to write her memoirs."

Mrs. Patterson nodded her agreement—"Captain Dobinson has been very kind to me," she said, "and I hope we can settle the whole business amicably. He knows so much about my Italy and speaks fluently the Venetian dialect which I love to hear."

"ALL I HAVE"

She told of the parties she once gave at her house in St. John's Wood, and that she was now trying to regain wealth and fame through her paintings.

"They are all I have left," she cried, sweeping her arms round the studio, which was full of her canvases. "I cannot get anybody to buy them to-day and I am practically living in poverty with my dog and cats."

"Beatrice Lillie, Alice Delysia, Richard Tauber, and scores of other famous people have painted by me. Now..."

She met Capt. Patterson in Milan in 1921. They fell in love. As an alien she was forbidden to enter England, but she followed him in a French fishing smack dressed as a sailor.

She was sent to prison and then escorted to a boat to leave the country. Capt. Patterson followed and took her to Paris, where they were married.

Looked Through Window, Saw Mail Being Rifled

POLICE looked through the window of a house in Gough-road, Edgbaston, recently and, later at Birmingham said they saw a stolen mail bag being rifled.

Three men and two women were charged with stealing and receiving a mail bag.

John Thomas Dale, of Gough-road, Edgbaston, and Martin Henry Bayliss, of Wiseman-terrace, Edgbaston,

who had been employed as temporary mail van drivers during Christmas, were remanded charged with stealing the bag and its contents.

Frederick John Collinson, Edna Weldon, aged twenty-two, and Florence Richards, aged nineteen, all of Gough-road, were remanded on a charge of receiving.

Inspector Gales said he saw Collinson cutting the string of a number of parcels. Weldon was burning the wrappings and Richards was holding a blue dress which had apparently been in one of the parcels.

Women Of India Regain Position

Although history told us that women in India occupied a very high position in the ancient days, they had only started regaining that position within the last two or three decades after a long period of deterioration, said Miss Flora Knight, the new Activities Secretary of the Y.W.C.A., Singapore, in a talk on "Women at the Singapore Y.W.C.A."

The meeting, organised by the Lotus Club, was presided over by Mrs. S. A. H. Shreeze, president of the Club.

Miss Knight said that Mahatma Gandhi in his message to the recent conference of women in India had stated that on the women of India depended the freedom of the country. She also referred to a recent utterance of Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, the Indian poetess where she said that women should be dynamic and creative, and not merely imitative.

Miss Knight added that Indian women should adopt the best from the West and East for their progress.

The Parades of Bombay were the first to encourage education among women in recent times and other communities had followed that lead satisfactorily, continued Miss Knight.

The home should be the main centre of women's activity because from that developed communities and nations.

She laid particular emphasis on the fact that women in India devoted great attention to social work, particularly among poor villagers. She impressed on the Indian women in Malaya the outstanding need for such work among the labourers in Malaya.



Pupils of the George Goncharov in the recent ballet presentation at the School of Dance as they appeared in the King's Theatre.

'Unknown' Woman Buys Canute Relic

MR. WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST'S collection of silver from St. Donat's, his castle in Wales, was sold in four hours for £41,882 at Christie's, London, recently.

The most exciting moment of the four hours was when an ox's horn, sparsely decorated with tarnished silver, was held up. At once there was a buzz of talk among the 300 men present.

The relic is the Pussey Horn, given to William Pussey by King Canute, Danish ruler in England in 1017.

Pussey, an officer of Canute's army, disguised himself as a shepherd and spied on the Saxons. He discovered a plan to ambush the king, and saved his life.

The horn was kept in the Pussey family until 1935, when it was sold to Mr. Hearst for £1,900.

The recent bidding opened at £800, rose in £20 jumps to £1,000, and then by £50 bids to £1,900. This figure was reached in two minutes.

At this price the horn was knocked down to Mr. J. Francis Mallet, who said he was acting for a woman who is keeping her name secret. She is giving the relic to the Victoria and Albert Museum.

Instinct Told Her

"WE were supposed to be married on October 5, but I had a sort of presentiment," said Miss Florence Flint recently at Marylebone Police Court when she alleged that thirty-nine-year-old Walter Evans took her savings of more than £240 and disappeared on the eve of their wedding in order to marry somebody else.

Evans, it was said, took a room at Miss Flint's house in Pimlico-road, S.W., and after a few days proposed to her and was accepted.

He suggested that they should take a small restaurant together. She withdrew her savings of more than £300 and handed the money to Evans to put into a joint account.

Out of the money Evans bought her a wedding ring and himself a watch. On October 4 he disappeared.

Evans pleaded guilty, and was sent for trial at the Old Bailey.

Killed Warming Her Hands

HOW a "wonderful mother," despite the precautions she took, lost her child in a bedroom fire was told at an inquest at Barnet, Hertfordshire, recently.

The child was Joan Mary Gilson, aged 7, of Lime-cottages, Green-street, Shenley.

Evidence was given that her night-dress blazed up while she was warming her hands by the bedroom fire.

Mrs. May Gilson, her mother, said the grate was fitted with a big heavy fireguard which she thought was perfectly safe.

Police Constable Pearce, the coroner's officer, said the fireguard was of the type used in schools and he considered it most effective. Mrs. Gilson, who had ten children, was described by all her acquaintances as a wonderful mother.

The coroner, Mr. T. Ottaway, said the tragedy might have been caused by a spark coming through the guard. He felt very sorry for Mrs. Gilson, who was obviously a mother who had taken great care of her children.

Guitrys Still Play Love Scene

ALTHOUGH Jacqueline Delubac, a twenty-eight-year-old actress, has filed papers for divorce from her fifty-three-year-old actor husband Sacha Guitry, she still performs a love scene with him on the stage of a Paris theatre every night.

The play, written by Sacha Guitry, is called "A Crazy World." Sacha Guitry said: "Jacqueline and I are comedians. So what difference does it make if we play a love scene?"

EMPIRE NEWS

AIR DEVELOPMENT IN NEW ZEALAND

New Zealand. Mr. F. Jones, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, announces that the Cabinet has approved the provision of additional base facilities for the Trans-Tasman air service at Hobsonville.

The work will be begun immediately. It will include a repairs shop and administrative and meteorological buildings.

The Harbour Board is providing a landing-stage and penton.

AUSTRALIA

WIRELESS DISPUTE SETTLED

Sydney. The dispute between the Postmaster-General, Mr. Cameron, and the Socialist-owned commercial broadcasting station 2KY in Sydney, has been settled.

The controllers of the station have undertaken to publish in the Socialist newspaper an apology for suggestions that one member of the Federal Ministry was controlled by a foreign organisation and that Mr. Cameron censored telegrams going to Port Kembla, where the wharf labourers have for some weeks refused to load iron ore for Japan.

Air Merger Plan.—Federal Ministers are unofficially discussing a plan for closer merging of the interests of Australian internal air lines under a single controlling company like Imperial Airways. The object is closer co-operation with overseas air lines and elimination of wasteful competition by more economical use of aircraft.

A Premier's Daughter Engaged.—The engagement is announced at Melbourne of Miss Elwyn Margaret Dunstan, daughter of Mr. A. A. Dunstan, Premier of Victoria, and Mr. J. H. Chinner, Rhodes scholar from Victoria for 1939.—Reuter.

SOUTH AFRICA

NATIVE WELFARE REFORMS

Cape Town. Far-reaching plans are under consideration for widening the sphere of activities of the Department of Native Affairs. It is proposed to centralise the native welfare activities at present distributed among various Government departments under the one department.

Mr. D. L. Smit, Secretary for Native Affairs, told the Native Representative Council that the Government intended to introduce legislation abolishing the issuing by traders of credit tokens to native mine workers.

He described as "a public scandal" the practice whereby traders were allowed to let natives mortgage their entire wages.

INDIA

TIGER KILLS MORE THAN 40 PEOPLE

Calcutta. A man-eating tiger which has been terrorising the Newgong district for two years was the subject of a question in the Assam Legislative Assembly by Mr. P. W. Blennerhassett, of the European Group. He asked the Government if it was aware that the animal had killed more than 40 persons.

He added that a man and a girl had recently been fatally mauled on a tea garden within two minutes' walk of the Forest Ranger's office. The latter had not attempted to follow up the beast, nor had the Government done more than offer £2 reward for his destruction.

Mr. Bardoloi, the Premier, said he would have inquiries made.

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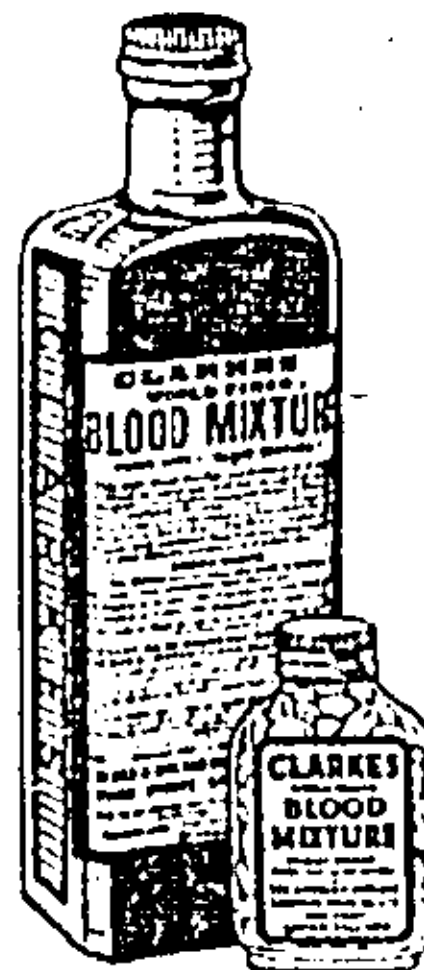
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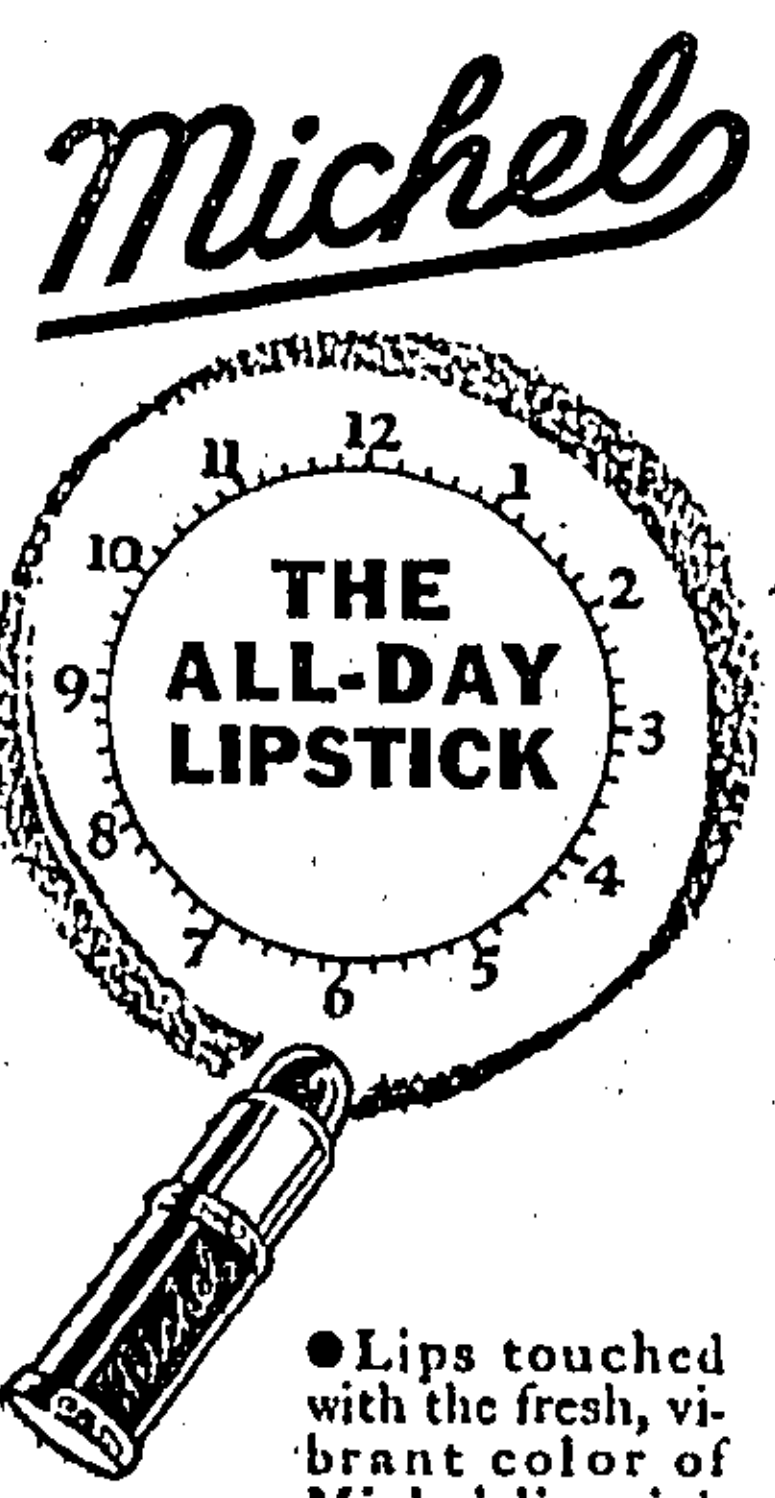
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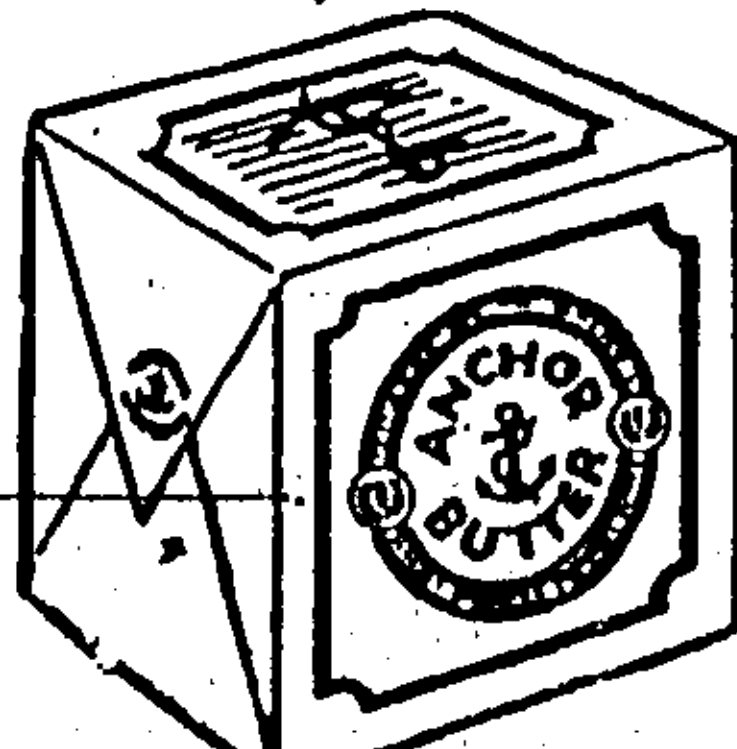
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Noise Aplenty To-day

Island Forts To "Go Into Action"

GUNNERY FIRE will be audible throughout the Colony to-day, when defences on the Island of Victoria will be extensively tested by the military authorities.

Firing practice seawards will be carried out from 9 o'clock this morning until 6 o'clock this evening, although, of course, it will not be of a continuous nature.

The firing will commence from Devil's Peak Fort and Fort Collinson. Later the guns at Fort Stanley and Fort Davis, the two new forts on the northern side of the island, will be brought into action. West Fort and Stonecutters Island will also fire during the course of the day.

Personnel Of China Govt. Unaltered

Chungking, Feb. 2. Reliable political circles do not expect many changes in Government personnel after the Kuomintang fifth plenary session. Rumours mentioning Dr. Wang Wen-shuo, at present Minister of Economics to be transferred to the head of the Ministry of Education, and of the transfer of Wu Ting-chang, at present Governor of Kweichow, to be Minister of Economics, are discounted in well-informed circles.—United Press.

Paris Prepares For Air Raids

Paris, Feb. 2. A decree regulating French air raid defence has been passed by the government. The regulations include enrolling of volunteers for air raid precautions work. Enrolment will last for a year and public servants may be requisitioned if necessary.—Reuter.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, Feb. 2.

New York Cotton

	Opening	Closing
March (1939)	8.39/39	8.39/39
May (1939)	8.08/09	8.10/10
July (1939)	7.79/79	7.81/81
Oct. (1939)	7.45/45	7.42/42
Dec. (1939)	7.40/40	7.44/44
Jan. (1940)	7.40/40	7.40/40
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New York Rubber

	March (1939)	15.70b	15.70b/84b
May	15.55/55	15.64/65	
Sept.	15.55/55	15.65b/68a	
Dec.		15.66b/68a	

Chicago Wheat

May	60 1/4/60 1/2	60 1/4/60
July	60 1/2/60 3/4	60 1/4/60
Sept.	60 1/2/60 3/4

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Chicago Corn

May	50¾/51	50¾/50½
July	51¾/52¼	51¾/51½
Sept.	52¾/52¾	52¾/52½

Winnipeg Wheat

May	02¾/02¾	03/03
July	03½/03½	03¾/03¾
Oct.	————	64/64

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 16th February, 1939, at 12 NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 4th February to THURSDAY, 16th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.
Hongkong, 24th January, 1939.

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Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the 24th February, 1939, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 17th February, 1939, to Friday, the 24th February, 1939, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS, Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1939.

MANY WEDDINGS

Number of Chinese Couples United

Six weddings took place at the Registry yesterday, Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Registrar of Marriages, officiating at one and Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, at the others.

Before Mr. Whyte-Smith, Mr. Mark Wai-woon, merchant, was united to Miss Wong Lai-so, of 33 Kaitak Road, Kowloon. The witnesses were Messrs. Y. K. Wong and Mr. Chun-nam.

Mr. Ma Wing-cheung, merchant, married Miss Lai Po-lin, of 3 Ying Fai Terrace. The witnesses were Messrs. Ma Koon-shun, and Lai Chan-sing.

Mr. Wong Tin Cheong, clerk at the Statistical Office of the Imports and Exports Department, married Miss Cheng Wai-ching, of 224 Johnston Road, Wanchai. The witnesses were Messrs. Cheng Yu-sum, and Lau Chan-ying.

Mr. Au Chi-nam, advertiser, of the Chinese Emporium, Ltd., married Miss Helen Pang, of 289 Lockhart Road, Wanchai.

Mr. Wong Pui-kun, of 17 Percival Street, married Miss Yeung Kwai-hing, of 72 Percival Street.

Mr. Chan Kwai-yau, of Messrs. Woo and Woo, solicitors, married Miss May Woo, daughter of Mr. Kwonglong Hangkam Woo, solicitor. The witnesses were the bride's father and Mr. Chang Kwai-chong.

CHURCH WEDDING

Mr. C. K. Chung And Miss C. F. Chan

The wedding took place yesterday at the Hop Yat Church, Bonham Road, of Mr. Chung Chun-kwong and Miss Chan Cheuk-long.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. Chan Tat-chiu, partner of Messrs. Ying Cheong Hong, agents for the British-American Tobacco Co., Hongkong, and Mrs. Chan.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chung Mee-book, who recently returned from America, and is himself on the staff of the Peter Music Co., Hongkong.

Later a reception was held at the Kwong Chow Restaurant, West Point.

MA-CHAN

A brilliant wedding took place at the Hongkong Hotel at noon yesterday, when Miss Chan Wah-chen became the bride of Mr. Ma Ho-long. The bride is the seventh daughter of Mr. Chan Yee-cho, a prominent Swatow merchant.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. Ma Tsak-man, manager of the Hongkong Swatow Commercial Bank.

Japan's Navy Ready For All Emergencies

Tokyo, Feb. 2. The Navy Minister, Admiral Yonai, stated to-day that the Japanese navy's readiness to cope with any emergency arising in the Pacific was "all inclusive." This statement was made after an interpellator had asked whether there were sufficient supplies to deal with any crisis.—United Press.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 6th day of February, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kennedy Street, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
1	Lot No. 2421	Adjoining Inland Lot No. 2420, Kennedy Street	N. 100 feet, S. 100 feet, E. 100 feet, W. 100 feet	About 4,000	\$48	\$10,500
			As per sale plan.			

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 6th day of February, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
2	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2633	Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1894, Castle Peak Road, Cheung Sha Wan	N. 100 feet, S. 100 feet, E. 100 feet, W. 100 feet	About 4,000	\$48	\$10,500
			As per sale plan.			

AIR FRANCE ARRIVES

Passengers and Mail From Hanoi

The Air France plane arrived yesterday from Hanoi with passengers, mail and freight. Among those who arrived were Messrs. Jackson and Mazot, Mr. T. Oda, Japanese Consul in Hongkong, and Mr. C. S. Chu, Deputy Director of Posts at Kumping. The plane will leave on Saturday at dawn on the return flight.

AIR SERVICES

Arrivals and Departures Of Planes

For London, Australia, British Countries and Europe: Imperial Airways 7 a.m. Feb. 3. Imperial Airways 7 a.m. Feb. 7.

For Chungking, Sian, etc.: Eurasia and C.N.A.C. service indefinite. For U.S.A. via Manila, Honolulu, Guam: Clipper 6.30 a.m. Feb. 9. For France via Hanoi: Air France, 6.30 a.m. Feb. 4.

Inward

From London, Australia, and British Countries: Imperial Airways 8 p.m. Feb. 4; Imperial Airways 5 p.m. Feb. 8.

From Chungking, Yunnanfu, Kweichow: C.N.A.C. Eurasia Services 1 (definite).

From U.S.A. via Honolulu, Guam, Manila: Clipper 12.30 p.m. Feb. 8.

From France, via Hanoi: Air France, 12.30 p.m. Feb. 9.

Dustbin & Kettle Distillery In Flat

A DUSTBIN-AND-KETTLE "distillery," found in a flat at Aristotle Road, Clapham, after the police had kept watch in a snowstorm, was mentioned at South Western Police Court recently.

The police, it was stated, discovered four stills, constructed from small dustbins and a kettle, and a large quantity of spirits. Some of the bottles had been capped with gold foil.

Ernest Thomas Riley (56), decorator, of Kepler Road, Clapham, was fined £1,230, with the alternative of six months' imprisonment, on a charge of being concerned in the manufacture of spirits.

In a statement to the Customs, Riley was alleged to have said that he had been making the spirits from sugar, raisins, potatoes, malted barley and yeast, and flavoured the gin with essences. The whisky was coloured with burnt sugar.

5s. A BOTTLE

His idea was to sell it for 5s. a bottle and he had bought a car for distributing it. Mr. B. M. Stephenson (for the Customs) said most of the spirit was 15 to 18 per cent. under proof, whereas the ordinary spirit was 30 per cent. under proof. Riley had no instrument for testing the strength, but gauged it by taste.

"The only way the Revenue defrauded," added Mr. Stephenson, "but the health of people who drink the stuff is endangered because the whisky is very raw and vicious."

A Customs officer said Riley had been associating with a man who had expert knowledge of making illicit spirit but he had made no effort to help the police to trace this man.

Mr. Slaud Mullins (magistrate): Where would Riley have found his market?

A Customs officer: There are certain publicans prepared to take spirit of this kind.

Riley had not rid of at least 7,000 bottles of the spirit in the last month.

"LAUREL AND HARDY"

Riley told the magistrate that he had not disposed of any bottles and the charges had been magnified.

"If I had attended a brewers' exhibition," he said, "and seen the huge equipment which is necessary for making spirits, I would have had a different point of view, and yet they point to me with my sixpenny-halfpenny dustbins, which are more suitable for a Laurel and Hardy film."

"The Customs officials' opinion about my spirit was that it was diabolical and that no sane person would have called it whisky or gin."

"My efforts at manufacture were a complete failure. I should have put labels on the bottles that they were 'whiskine' or 'gintine' in much the same way as they make a substitute drink for port wine known as 'red biddy'."

Detective-Sergeant Haines, of the Flying Squad, said Riley had seven previous convictions for theft, fraud, etc.

ILLICIT SPIRITS TRAFFIC

The Excise authorities believe that a large quantity of illicit liquor is reaching the market. Loss to the revenue is put at thousands of pounds a year.

DEFENCE ORGANISATION

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gether insufficiently realized by the country as a whole and the results hitherto obtained could not have been achieved without the whole-hearted co-operation of industry operating on a peace-time basis.

The panel felt that on the evidence submitted to them that most of the gaps in the defence equipment of the country had been, or were being filled as rapidly as possible.

Further A.R.P. progress was revealed in answers to other questions.

Mr. Walter Elliott announced that plans had been made to provide for about 200,000 beds in existing hospitals within 24 hours of an emergency. Another 100,000 could be found later by using the auxiliary parts of the hospitals not at present used as wards.

Sir John Anderson, dealing with fire-fighting apparatus, stated that hitherto 3,500 appliances, including pumps and self-propelled units had been delivered, and since the September crisis very large orders had been placed as part of the measures to accelerate production.—Reuter.

VETERAN TO RAISE STANDARD

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huge quantities of Japanese equipment, turned his guns against the Japanese in 1932 and fought a guerrilla war in North China until he was hard-pressed over the Manchurian border, when he entered Soviet territory.

He was sent to Central Asia and his men were sent back to China through Sinkiang, but he himself, with other commanders of the Manchurian guerrillas returned to China after a trip through Europe.

Since his return in 1933, General Ma Chan-shan has been honoured by being given a position as a member of the National Military Affairs Council, of which Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is the President.

In the meantime, he never gave up his efforts to fight the Japanese, and his cavalry forces, under the title of a "White Advance Army" are fighting the Japanese in western Suiyuan.

Checking the threatened Japanese advance from Paochow to Ninghsiao.—United Press.

WORLD REACTION TO PLEDGE OF AID FOR DEMOCRACY

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the motion by Senator Bennett Clark that the details of the plan to sell planes to France should be made public.

Some critics are alleging that President Roosevelt is focussing public interests on foreign affairs in order to divert attention from the unsatisfactory conditions in America.

One or two Senators even go so far as to express the opinion that President Roosevelt is using the aid of the democracies' policy as an avenue for a third term as President.—United Press.

PRESS CRITICISM

New York, Feb. 2.

The secrecy surrounding the foreign policy of the United States is generally deplored in press comments on President Roosevelt's reported statement.

The "Herald-Tribune" says that while President Roosevelt's foreign policies have been as admirable as they are bold, nevertheless, when the issue is as grave as peace and war in the balance, the right for the people to be informed seems paramount.

The "Chicago Tribune" says that the White House has become an imperial palace. President Roosevelt is acting as if he were absolute ruler of a people who have nothing to say about their own destiny, and who could be sold into war as lightly as if they were 16th century Hessians.

The "Washington Post" declares that the Administration's efforts to facilitate the sale of planes to France is a possible factor in the slight relaxation of tension noted in Europe.—Reuter.

REPUBLICANS ACT

Washington, Feb. 2.

Nine Republican members of the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee to-day issued a statement in which they deplore and protest against the unneutral actions of the secret methods of the President in connection with the sale of aeroplanes to France.

There is no objection against the sale of aeroplanes to a nation to which the United States is diplomatically related, "but we insist that such un-neutral acts entangle us in foreign conflicts, and endanger the peace of America."

They appealed to the President to present the facts to the American people who "irrespective of party, are being committed to a war programme through secret diplomacy."

The statement urged the President to uphold traditional foreign policy of neutrality, non-intervention, and peace.—Reuter.

NO DANGER OF WAR

Washington, Feb. 2.

The United States is not in danger of entering a foreign war under this Administration, said Mr. Harold Ickes, commenting on Mr. Herbert Hoover's speech last night.—Reuter.

Congress Approves Relief Vote

Washington, Feb. 2.

Congress to-day finally approved the \$725,000,000 relief appropriation on the Works Progress Administration's programme until June 30.

The Bill has been sent to the White House for signature.—Reuter.

NEW LIFE MOVEMENT

Rev. George Shepherd Tells Of Effect of War

At St. John's Hall, University, yesterday, Rev. George Shepherd delivered an address entitled "The New Life Movement and the War," to a large gathering.

The main object of the New Life Movement, said Mr. Shepherd, was to build a stronger China, and to infuse new spirit into the Chinese people, who had lacked thoroughness in their actions. The present hostilities had slightly affected the movement, but nevertheless, it was going on smoothly.

Recently a Friends of the Wounded Association was formed and people of all ranks and professions had become members. This group of volunteers did all they could to help wounded soldiers, alleviate their sufferings and entertain them.

A total of 14,000 children from war-torn cities and villages were adopted by Madame Chiang Kai-shek, said Mr. Shepherd. They had everything under the guidance of Madame Chiang.

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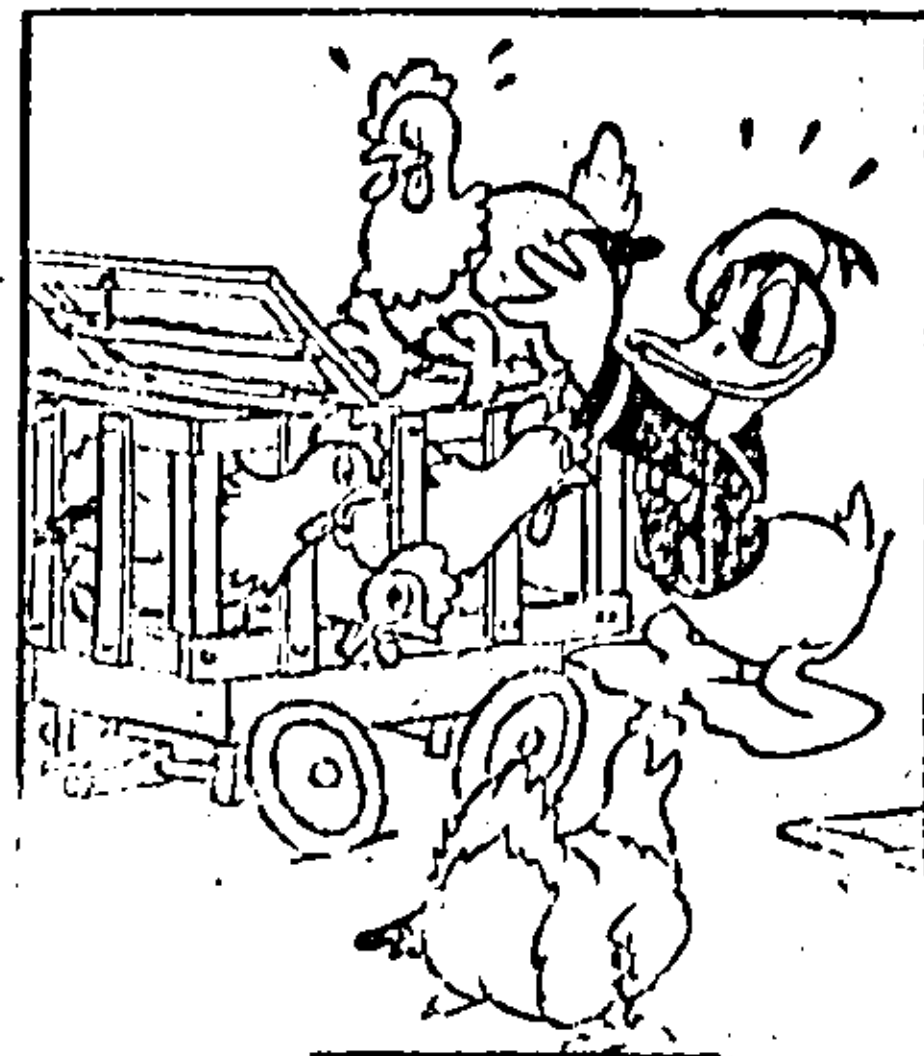
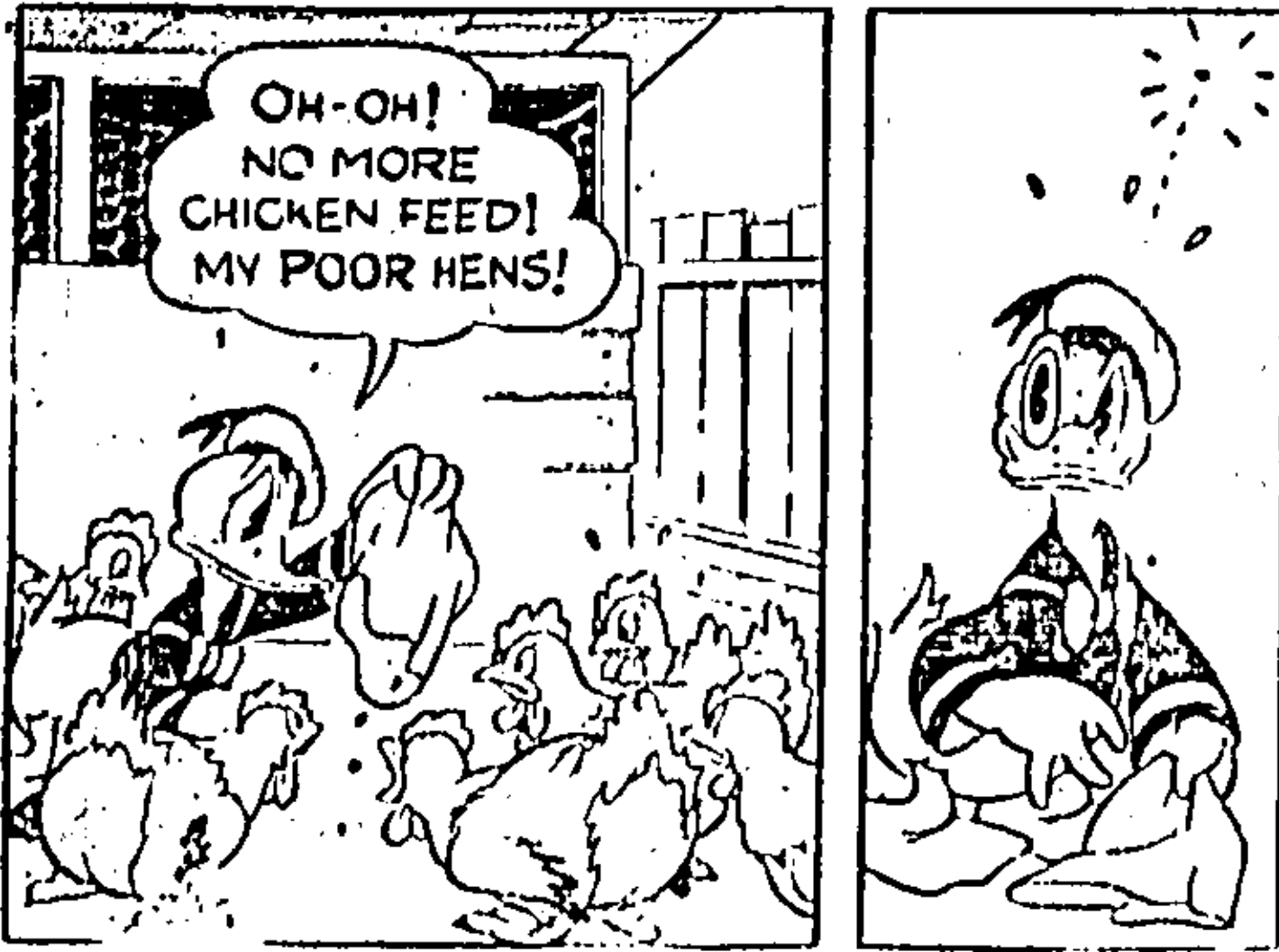
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 1st February	Imperial Airways Plane	February 8.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 1st February	Pan American Airways plane	February 8.
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BRECONSHIRE LAUNCHED

Largest Vessel Ever Built In Hongkong Dockyards

The Breconshire, 10,000 ton passenger-cargo liner, of the Glen Line, was launched at Talloek dock yesterday by Lady Northcote, wife of the Governor, before a large crowd. The ship is the largest ever built in Hongkong, and save for two built in Australia, the largest to be built in the British Commonwealth, outside the United Kingdom.

After the ceremony, more than 1,000 guests were entertained at a reception in the moulding loft building, when the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, spoke.

Mr. W. H. Lock, of Butterfield & Swire, said:

On behalf of Talloek Dockyard I must thank Lady Northcote for coming here to give her blessing to our newest child and congratulate her on the graceful and successful manner in which she has performed the christening ceremony.

I understand that this is the first ship which Lady Northcote has launched; I trust therefore that throughout her life the Breconshire will always hold the first place in Lady Northcote's interest and affections, and will enjoy for many years to come a goodly share of that beginning's luck which Lady Northcote has so graciously bestowed.

We are very grateful both to His Excellency and Lady Northcote for sparing us this time from their busy lives to preside over this ceremony, and appreciate fully the compliment they have paid us in doing so; we have ventured to ask them to do it as we believe that this ceremony is of more than domestic interest and an event of importance to the Colony of Hongkong.

The harbour and the sea from Hongkong and China has always played a major part in the history of shipping and of British shipping in particular; it was this trade which brought the sailing ship to its highest pitch of perfection, and 70 years ago this harbour was filled with the most beautiful merchantmen the world has ever seen; the China clippers, every sailor regrets their passing, but they have been succeeded by a noble race of steamers and motorships, and the pioneers in this development were Alfred Holt & Co., whose first steamers came to Hongkong round the Cape 73 years ago, performing a feat previously believed impossible, of making a long sea voyage, carrying what in those days is called a pay-load, in addition to their own fuel.

Ever since those days Alfred Holt & Co. has kept in the forefront of the shipping to the Far East; of the ingredients of their success perhaps the most important is that they have always kept their fleet in the highest state of modernity and efficiency, and this Dockyard has already been privileged to play its part in this.

Biggest Built Here
We have built to date no less than 31 vessels for Companies in the fleet group, of which one, the Rhexenor, was until to-day the largest ship ever launched in Hongkong. It is evidence of their continued confidence in the Dockyard and the crew that they have called upon to build the Breconshire, which is the largest and fastest vessel ever built in Hongkong and which, in fact, with the exception of two vessels built in Australia 15 years ago, is the largest vessel built in the British Empire outside the United Kingdom.

SAFE DIET FOR GASTRIC ULCERS

Great care is needed in the feeding of sufferers from gastric and duodenal ulcers and inflammation of the stomach. The wrong kind of food will increase the pain and discomfort in the early stages, of treatment small quantities of liquid food must be taken at frequent intervals.

But strength must be maintained; the body must be kept nourished. That is why doctors and nurses recommend Hotchkiss as ideal food for patients suffering from gastric ulcers and all inflamed conditions of the stomach.

Hotchkiss contains the essential elements of nourishment. It is pleasant to take. It builds up energy, restores vitality, without irritating even the most sensitive stomach. It gives you strength to combat a long illness, and restores convalescence. Get Hotchkiss to-day.

In these difficult times of anxiety and worry, the task of carrying on and doing work which must be done is a doubly difficult one which must tend to exhaust one's nervous energy. Hotchkiss builds up strength, vitality and prevents that listlessness and tiredness caused by constant nervous strain. H. M. Hotchkiss, 408-409, Asia Building, Hongkong.

Shipbuilding in Hongkong is not a new trade, but like all modern undertakings is one which has grown steadily from small beginnings. We and our friends on the other side of the harbour, only ask, like the prophets of old, to be known by our fruits. We are now speaking from our own ships which we are confident will tell the world that there are no yards which can excel our peculiar combination of British capital, skill and perseverance, which we owe largely to the Scott and Chinese industry—working together under the beneficent protection of the British Government.

The launch of this vessel is thus an occasion of significant importance in the history of one of Hongkong's major industries; it is also of particular interest to China hands as owing to the amalgamation of the interests of the Glen Line and of Alfred Holt & Co., the christening of the Breconshire unites at the first those two old rivals—J. M. & Co. and B. & S.

Before closing I should like to congratulate the Talloek Dockyard and Mr. Finnie in particular, on the construction of this fine vessel and her very successful launch.

I shall now ask His Excellency to propose the toast of the Breconshire, and first should like again to thank Lady Northcote for her presence here and her gracious performance of the christening ceremony and I will ask her to accept this toast as a memento of the occasion.

I hope that it will prove to be as good a time-keeper as we expect the Breconshire to be.

Governor's Speech

The Governor said: It is my pleasant duty on this occasion to propose the toast of the good ship, Breconshire and it is one which I feel much honoured to have in my care. Mr. Lock has given us the chance of taking a look into our Colony's maritime history and his remarks were very interesting.

The science of navigation is one which has been practised in different parts of the world for some thousands of years, in the course of which it has taken two principal forms. The earliest colonists of whom we know, the Phoenicians, whose method the Greeks brought into Europe, planted trading posts at suitable ports along their sea routes, and that method of colonisation obtained until the discovery of America gave rise to the extensive type of colonial possession. Hongkong, however, followed not the modern but the earlier type, seeking harbours, not trade, and concerned solely with trade and commerce. In one particular only—though a very important one—she differed from her prototype. The ancient colony aimed at serving the founder-country and the founder-country only; whereas from her earliest days Hongkong has been an open port, treating alike the ships and the goods of her own and every other nation.

But eminent though Hongkong's services have been to every nation that has interests in the Pacific Ocean, this is not the time to speak of them at length. In two years time we shall be celebrating our centenary and the subject as a whole will keep till then. This evening my business is to propose the toast of the Breconshire.

It may be fanciful, but to my mind there is one of the circumstances attendant on this evening's ceremony which is so symbolic. For instance, Mr. Lock has told us that she is the largest and fastest ship ever built in Hongkong.

Future of Hongkong
I would like to add to that the words "as yet," for the Breconshire, surpassing as she does all her fore-runners, signifies to me—and, I hope, also to you—the sound and steady upward trend of British interests in these Eastern waters, the fostering of which is this Colony's principal objective.

There are, I know, those who profess the fear that that trend will, before long, be taking the opposite direction; but for my own part I cannot follow their reasoning, any more than I can attach any clear meaning to certain ethical pronouncements which have been promulgated recently about the future of this quarter of the globe.

Admittedly, the immediate future is obscure but here again the launching of the Breconshire is, I think, a symbol of what lies before us. Just as she has been launched in the half-darkness, but full of light, so we see her riding safe and strong and know that she lies there, calmly awaiting the morning's light; so this outpost of the British Empire, though the immediate future is overshadowed for the moment by her neighbours' war, lies snug and quiet, confident that when peace dawns in this part of the world she will again be showing the great and growing part which has been hers for all but a hundred years.

Well, this is perhaps rather serious stuff for such an occasion as this, and indeed, all I have said amounts to this, that when peace returns to China Hongkong's slogan will be "Business as Usual."

But the Breconshire! God bless her, is a very fine girl and I'm not going to apologise because she has "led me a little way up the garden path."

I will now return to duty. But before I actually propose the toast with which I have been honoured I have two more short words to say in the first place I offer Hongkong's warmest congratulations to the Talloek Dockyard and Engineering Company and all their staff and workers on building and launching this noble ship. May they build many more of her kind and even greater than her in the days to come.

Secondly, I have to return thanks on my wife's behalf for the extremely handsome gift which the Board has been good enough to give her in return for her services. I tried hard, but with no hope of success, to persuade her that it was up to her to make this speech and I cited in support the example set by the First Lady in the Empire. But, of course, I failed and not for the first time.

And now on your behalf as well as my own I wish the Breconshire long life and the best of luck as she goes on her lawful occasions. We rejoice to think that a ship such as she has been built in this harbour and will sail away with pride and affection. Ladies and Gentlemen, I ask you all to rise with full glasses and to toast—The Breconshire.

Mr. Paterson's Thanks
The Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, speaking briefly on behalf of the owners, thanked the Governor for the charming manner in which he had launched the ship. He thanked Mr. J. Finnie, manager of Talloek Dockyard and Engineering Company, for the efficient and excellent work embodied in the construction of the new vessel.

Mr. Finnie's Speech
Mr. J. Finnie, manager of Talloek Dock, said:

Shipbuilding is now almost a world-wide industry. At one time Britain held almost a monopoly in the building of large ships. In 1913 Britain built about two-thirds of the world's total shipbuilding tonnage, which has since then been divided into three parts, the British built only a third. The art of shipbuilding has now developed greatly in many countries and we see in Hongkong Harbour a ship which has been built in all parts of the world. Clever technicians and craftsmen from every country have turned their hands to shipbuilding with very successful results. In Hongkong we are fortunate in having the Chinese who were probably the world's greatest shipbuilders in the good old days when the passenger never had cause to complain of having a cab over the promellers and the shipowner didn't have to weigh the advantages of installing a steam or a diesel engine.

In Hongkong the Chinese have shown us that besides being expert in the building of wooden sailing ships they can hold their place with the craftsmen of other countries in the building of high class modern ships. We receive excellent service from our Chinese workers and I must also acknowledge the very loyal and wholehearted support of our very able foreign staff who perform splendid work, often under very difficult conditions.

Every newspaper or magazine with any interest in shipping deplores the high cost of shipbuilding and no launching ceremony is complete unless the shipowner informs the shipbuilder that it will, no doubt, be a very fine ship when it is completed but that it ought to be at the money.

Shipbuilding employers are looking upon as prophets and shipbuilders as opportunists who are standing in the way of a revival in shipping. Few people realize that for many years prior to 1937 ship-

Social Items

A Charity Bazaar will be held in the Church Hall of All Saints' Church, Homumtun, Kowloon, on Saturday, February 4, commencing at 11 a.m.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: On February 4, at 11.30, Mr. J. R. Higgs officiating. The bride, Miss Ching Yee, daughter of Mr. J. R. Higgs, will be married to Mr. J. R. Higgs, son of Mr. J. R. Higgs. The ceremony will be held at the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Kowloon.

The funeral of Mrs. Marjorie McKelvie will be held at the Government Hospital, Kowloon, on Saturday, February 4, at 11 a.m. The deceased was the wife of Mr. J. W. McKelvie, a cousin of the deceased. Among those who attended the service were His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor and Lady MacGregor, Mr. J. A. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. P. McNeil, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. J. Randall, Mr. and Mrs. J. McKelvie, Mr. and Mrs. W. Frinch, Mr. and Mrs. G. Dudley, Messrs. F. Blakely, J. Brown, J. Klaus, J. Hood, A. A. Dand, J. Skinner and many others.

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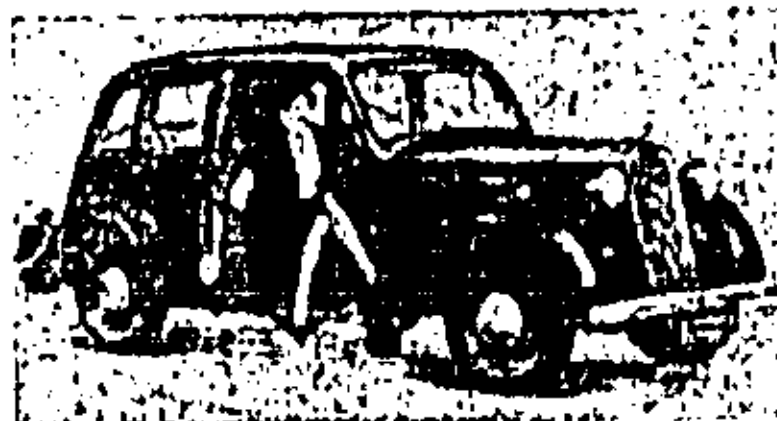
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A Real Axis

THE MOMENTOUS news that President Roosevelt has pledged American support to democracy in the case of a war with the totalitarian countries should have a sobering influence upon those who favour the use of force in international affairs.

It is quite understandable that America should announce her policy, for as a great democracy, she naturally feels it her duty to do all in her power to assist other democratic countries which may be threatened.

The freedom of the subject is the very corner-stone of democratic principles, and any movement which threatens to challenge that freedom must be vigorously opposed.

The wave of nationalism which has swept through Germany and Italy has created a danger which cannot be overlooked. Nationalism in itself is an admirable quality, but when it becomes so revolutionary in nature as to constitute a menace to others, the others may rightly be expected to take every possible safeguard in the interest of self-preservation.

If Germany considers that she has been singled out as the main threat to democracy, she has only herself to blame. The public utterances made by her masters have had anything but a soothing effect on the rest of the world, and it naturally follows that when danger is supposed to exist, it is only logical and sensible that those likely to be affected should organise united action for resistance.

The United States will do everything possible to keep out of war, and rightly so. American Statesmen have followed events in Europe with some apprehension, and there can be no doubt that from the President downwards, they are fully aware of the policies which are at the root of the trouble in Europe to-day.

At the moment, the American support must have tremendous moral effect, for by aligning the United States with Great Britain and France, the rest of the world is told in no uncertain manner that the greatest combination of power ever known is to be marshalled as the force to guide the hot-headed to the path of universal peace.



MAN— or Men?

BY WILL SCOTT



Shakespeare, Henry VIII, Cromwell, Lloyd George—definitely themselves.

IN all the muddle of to-day few people seem to be quite clear as to where mankind is supposed to be heading, although plenty will tell you that mankind is heading, and pretty rapidly. It would be a bit easier if we knew what mankind is for. Then we might know if it's heading right or wrong.

It's easy with sheep and such. A sheep is meant to be a sheep—mutton and overcoats. When a sheep has become a good fat sheep it's got as far as it can go. It never tries to be anything more than a good fat sheep.

A racehorse is meant to be a racehorse and nothing but. When it has won the Derby it's done all you can expect of it. But with men you never know. They go off in all directions.

One will suddenly get up one morning and design St. Paul's Cathedral. Another will discover the South Pole. A third will add up another man's figures and get bread and butter for doing it. A fourth will dive into the Serpentine every day, summer and winter.

Some, even, sit in barrels and let people peep at them for a penny. It's a pity more don't. I won't mention any names. In the old days the idea was to be different. You developed yourself, or tried to. If your neighbour did one thing you did another. That was the root of the whole

system. You "didn't want to be like old Brown."

Nowadays, if your neighbour does one thing, so do you. You don't like to be different. You don't like to be thought different. "It isn't done."

I'm prepared to be proved wrong, but I believe that if the human race had always been as shy as it is to-day of the things that "aren't done" the first pages of all the history books would still be blank paper. Better for that? Maybe you're right.



HOWEVER. Away in the dim past individualism used to be encouraged. If a man stood on his head in a pond nobody tried to steal his thunder. They gave him the credit. They told their children and their children's children, generation after generation, about the Man Who Stood on his Head in the Pond. He became a legend.

To-day if a man stood on his head in a pond you'd have half the Western Hemisphere at it by to-morrow morning. "Coming in, old man? But you must. Everybody's doing it."

Crowds of them. All standing on their heads in ponds. Not a bad idea either, perhaps, if you give it careful thought.

Discovering America was a job for one man four hundred years ago. Discovering places like Frin-ton is a job for half Mayfair now. A one-man discovery would be a wash-out. A one-man anything. "Everybody's doing it..." That's the modern idea.

The old system turned out people like Shakespeare and Henry the Eighth and Whistler and Guy Fawkes and Hall Caine and Abraham Lincoln and Napoleon and Queen Elizabeth and Charles Pence and Dr. Johnson. Good, bad and the other sort, but definitely themselves.

The new system, as I see it, is out to put a stop to all that. I don't know if it knows it, but that is all the present system is for.

Behind the clashing ideas and the clashing nations of this age, behind all the strife and the dozens of —isms, I firmly believe there is that one fundamental thing carrying all the other troubles on its back: the question, is the human race to become in the end Men, different individuals, like men on a chess-board, or Man, a mass, uniform, one like the rest, like men on a draught-board? I do firmly believe that that is down underneath most of the up-

heaval of our time. Are we to become, in the end, a herd, like the sheep? Or not?

Already we are well on the way. Millions wearing the same coloured shirts, raising our right arms, shouting the same shouts.

Or, even when we're not forced to do so, wearing the same sort of hats, because the man next door does. "Everybody's doing it..." Man or Men? Perhaps the world is making up its mind. But, as I said in the first place, I can't make up mine. I know which side I'm on. I may be on the wrong side. I can't tell. Time will.

I'm quite aware of some of the drawbacks of "individualism." I know that it means the best man wins, and when you have a man who wins, you've got to have a man who loses, and losing isn't so nice. I'm quite aware of some of the advantages of the herd.

Perhaps when we're all alike, with no differences at all, we'll find we've got nothing to quarrel about. Just turning us all into sheep may bring peace to earth at last. Sheep have a pretty peaceful time, I notice. Men don't. Well, they haven't had so far.

And perhaps that's what men are meant to be in the end: all alike. It won't be in my time or yours, but it may be in somebody's.



FOR centuries and centuries we've been impelled by individualism. Little groups, little sects, families, pairs, persons, separate ideas, lonely adventures, individual achievements. It may have been all wrong. For the life of me I cannot honestly say. Perhaps the ultimate herd is what mankind is for.

All Smiths. Or Browns. Or Robinsons. There's one thing that strikes me. Even in the countries where the herd idea is strongest there are just one or two who refuse to join the herd. They have a high old time running the herd. They are the individuals who have killed individualism. Except their own. A crafty nation.

A world full of sheep in a meadow called the world. It's an idea. But I wonder if it's interesting being sheep.

Take a representative half-dozen men from the age that was. Alfred the Great, Thomas à Becket, William Shakespeare, Oliver Cromwell, Charles the Second, Lloyd George. Take a representative half-dozen men from the age that may be. Smith, Smith, Smith, Smith, Smith, Smith. I wonder.

Old School Ties..

by Spike Hughes

EVERY six months or so I have the same nightmare. I dream I am back at school.

I wake up in the morning in a cold sweat to find comparative paradise in a world that demands no more of me than that I should pay my income-tax.

I was by no means miserable at school. I was a damn nuisance to everybody, but I had a lot of fun. One thing is certain, however: I have never pretended to anyone that my school days were The Happiest Days of My Life.

What bad psychology that tag is, anyway, suggesting to children that they will never be happier than when they are struggling with cube roots and irregular verbs.



Last week I was invited by the Old Boys' Society of my school as guest at their annual dinner. I accepted willingly. With the exception of my companion—who drove down to Cambridge with me—I had seen few of my school-fellows during the past eleven years.

It might have been a grim and dreary experience. It turned out to be enjoyable, amusing and slightly bizarre.

To begin with, I suddenly found myself back among people who, in spite of the "Daily Herald" and the radio, still thought of me as "Patrick" instead of "Spike."

The very mention of radio gave me a shock, anyway. When I had last seen these young men who were at dinner, the "Wireless" had meant nothing more than the Morse code.

Yet here they were, fifteen years after, talking glibly about "Monday at Seven" and asking me if I'd met Mr. Ogilvie.

The oddest moments of all were the first moments of reunion. Faces seemed vaguely familiar; a name would be mentioned and after that it was easy.



There was young Reggie. He is younger than I and even thinner on top; he was smoking a cigarette, speaking in a deep bass voice. It was difficult to remember him as my right centre when I had played on the wing and we had knocked hell out of a boy who later got a cap for Wales.

A hearty, military-looking fellow came up to me. He has a fair moustache now and is in the Territorials. He reminded me of his name. But all I could remember on hearing it was the picture of a very small child indeed winning cups for diving against all comers.

I went on like this for a long time. A name, a face and they produced the strangest associations: the angle of a school cap, the shape of a bicycle, a younger brother who'd put his life through my drum one Field Day.

I could see nobody as a composite character, but only as a provider of incidents which for some reason had stayed in my memory.

What was I doing? I was being asked to make a speech, but I refused. When I was there we had Serbian, Frenchmen, Belgians, Indians, Burmese, Chinese, Japanese, Americans, Jews from Syria and Spain, two boys from Wyndstock and one from Blum.

If I had spoken, I would have said that in that school of ours, though we were only children, we were bound by three great rules: "Don't talk, don't drink, and don't be a fool."

question brought strange answers with it.

John, for instance. He is a stockbroker; he went into the job before he realised how deadly it could be. Now he can't get out. But in his spare time he runs a hostel in Bloomsbury for young down and outs.

Alfred is a Don. He leads a secluded life with his wife and his Greek epigrams. Francis works at television, which he reached by way of Hollywood, a repertory company in Santa Barbara, Cal., and building a French chateau for a millionaire in Reno.

I liked less some of the answers I got to the inevitable "What's happened to you?"

One child I remembered had been killed fighting with the International Brigade in Spain, another had been killed in a car smash in Aden; yes another had shot himself in Gibraltar—he was a handsome, charming boy too, who surely needn't have worried over a love affair.

There were other tragedies as well, some noble, some oddly sordid. As the evening went on there was a strange melancholy about most of us. No sighing for Good Old Days, but the stark realisation that the school, which was founded in 1015, had somehow served its purpose.



We began to realise that if they had not been The Happiest Days of our Life, at least our schooldays had been more intelligently supervised than most.

Our headmaster, the languages master, the English master had brought to education not only what is called the Direct Method of teaching classics and languages, but something immensely personal which had made our school unique.

Oh yes, we produced our Blues and our Rugger internationals, but above all we produced boys who were good democrats, who loved the English language, to whom the plays of Shakespeare, Euripides and Molière were living experiences, to whom being educated was the English have the only word for it: Fun.

We were melancholy because, from all accounts, none of this tradition has remained. Three great educationists have retired: the Old Man to his farm, the languages master to his bowls at Grantham, the English master to his memories of our enjoying Shakespeare in a theatre instead of reciting him in a classroom.



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GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I suppose you'd rather I'd let that truck-driver intimidate me!"

SHOT EMBARRASSES HUNTER

NILES, O. A hunter shot at a rabbit he saw peering over the edge of a pile of boxes and rushed to pick up his gun. He fired only a rabbit. He was which-jokester friends had placed on the bumper.

SHARKS ATTACK WHALE

DURBAN, South Africa. While playing on the beach, near the school children saw a battle between a hump whale and several sharks only 100 yards from the shore. Attacked from all sides, the whale was torn to pieces.

HAS SOME GOOD ANIMALS FOR ANNUAL MEET

Mr. Eu Tong-sen has been trying very hard for the last few years to annex the Blue Riband, but like many other unfortunate owners he has not met with success.

gallops performed during the early mornings and the merit of the run was that there was plenty in reserve when she touched the cross-line.

Rose Elect belongs to that class of elongated animals with a beautiful lope stride and she is certainly the right type of a mover over distance run. Judging by her action there can be no doubt that she is a class racer and her chance therefore for the Blue Ribband is very rosy. Blue Express owned by the same owner was sent over the same course and the circle was run in 2.46 2/5 finishing the last quarter of the journey in 33 2/5 seconds. English Cavalier, another candidate for the same stable, was two seconds slower than Blue Express' time over the same trip and these two racers, in my opinion, belong to another street.

It will be recalled that in 1935 his Rose-Queen (Mr. V. Needa) lost the exclusive event by half-a-length to Herod ridden by Mr. W. H. Davis, but in the following year Rosemary (an expensive candidate) was the one to overcome him, and in the circumstances the Singapore philanthropist had not a good substitute to represent his silk in the Hongkong Derby. The kept-over griffin, Rosemary, was made a rragging favourite for the 1937 endurance test and the mare gave a disappointing display, finishing fourth. It was generally expected, that Mr. Deardar, who had been riding the saddle, was almost a certainty to register his first classic win for Mr. Eu Tong-sen, but the chestnut stallion had to bow to Mr. Eric Muller's Silkylight by three lengths.

There was an enthusiastic crowd of racing men at Hinny Valley last Saturday watching the performances of the Australian and Chinese ponies over short and long distances, but it was indeed surprised to see a large group of about two dozen students of form turning up on Sunday morning. Those who were present were delighted with a treat by Mr. Eu Tong-sen's candidate (Rose Elect) who was asked to show her remarkable run round the champion jaunt of 1 1/4 miles. There were not many ponies on the course when Rose Elect came to the cinder track and this naturally afforded the rail birds a golden opportunity to follow her closely with close attention. With Mr. C. Encarnano in the saddle, Rose Elect took 2.38 1/5 to cover the whole distance and the chestnut mare entered the last half-mile in 1.14 1/5 with 20 seconds to spare. The last stanza which was not too bad for a greenhorn of this season. It was, I believe, one of the fastest turnings and the last half-mile was 1.01 4/5. She had the better of her stable-mate Candlelight, who was hard pressed to keep up with her in the stretch. One of the Clirc's stable, I understand that the mare is aged and we must not overlook this.

Jennifer, the property of Mr. B. Brown, has such the judge on the course and it is said she is more has improved considerably. She is compact, but has strong hind quarters and when she gets going there is something to write home about. Her "try out" last Saturday in the handicap course of 1 1/4 miles was a creditable performance as the mare finished the last quarter in 31 seconds flat. A note should be kept that the last mile was run in 2.10 4/5.

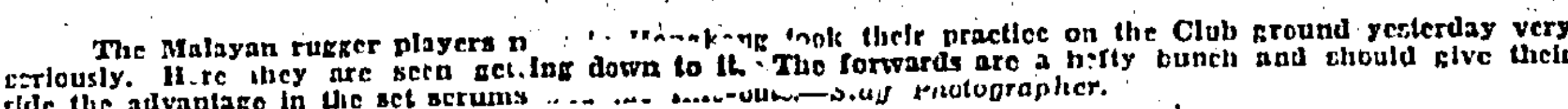
Hyndford Bridge, accompanied King's Widen, had a steady cant over the Derby course and no doubt Mr. Needa was just feeling out the pony. However I expect to see some fast work over the week end.

Several Australian ponies of this season's bunch have come forward in the limelight and I was delighted to see the return of Mr. Donald Black, who has just come back from home leave. The lad is looking hardy and hearty, and we may be sure Wee Donald has not lost his sense of balance and strength of grip. It is reliably learned that he is going to pilot Mr. B. W. Bradbury's string of ponies at the Annual Carnival.

We all know that he has a good pair of hands for the dumb friends from the Antipodes and Mr. Black was out very early on Jamber, who was given a good spin over the champion course last Saturday. The chestnut mare took 2:48.4/5 to travel the circuit and the home stretch was covered in 27.3/5 seconds finishing on the bit. The last half of the mile was negotiated in 58 seconds flat and the mile was journeyed in 2:00.4/5 which was the first decent gallop that the mare had been asked to do. This, however, seemed to confirm the impression; which I mentioned in my notes of January 20, that Jamber by Exton had the makings of a big horse. It will not surprise me to see the mare among the first three in the Rooty-Hill Derby.

Training among the China ponies subscription griffins of this season is giving, without exception, all the trainers a tough job. Anxiety among the owners to see what their nags can do is another obstacle against the grain and I have not so far seen a sub-griffin with a good finish should the mile gallop be inside 2.25.

The best gallop to date over mile was done by February Fourth in 1921, but the home run was 3 seconds flat and the black fellow was hard ridden by Mr. S. C. Liang. Last Saturday Tiny Tim did a decent center over the champagne pool course in 2:57 2/5 but the last number ter was no better than 33:1/2 seconds. Port Rush (Mr. B. Proulx) and Sports Venture (Mr. Ehrenmann) went together over a mile in 2:24 4/5. Mrs. Taggart's rub-bellum the better, racer and he took 32:1/2.



WENTY-EIGHT players have been picked by the Manila Football Association to send two players abroad this summer and wired to undergo training for the decision to the tournament comm

purpose of making a side to represent the Philippines in the first Manila-Hongkong Interport to be played in the Colony during the Chinese New Year holidays. The names of the players were announced last week following a meeting of the officials of the League. Of the 28 selected, four are goal-keepers, four are full backs, seven half-backs and three are forwards. Following the series of try-outs which have been arranged, a team of 10 players will be chosen to make the trip to Hongkong. Coach Dionisio Calvo of the La Salle College has been selected to manage the team.

Coach Calvo is confidently expected that Mr. Calvo will be able to get the best out of his men. The team will leave Manila on February 14 and is expected to return on February 27 by the same ship. On the day the Manila players will go to Macao to play one game and then to Hongkong. To help Coach Calvo in the final selection of the team, a special committee was chosen; made up of Mr. Sergio Martinez of San Beda, Fr. Honorio Munoz of Ateneo, and Mr. J. C. Athletic Club. Hongkong players will be interested to learn that among the 28 men selected to undergo training is Alex Bolesserie, the former Shanghai Interceptor who is now resident in Manila. An extremely clever and hard-headed Bolesserie has a very good chance of being chosen to make the trip.

A United Press message, published yesterday, stated that China was one of 27 countries which have signified their intention of participating in the 1939 Davis Cup Competition.

It was announced yesterday that the final of the S. 1000 United Hockey League would be played to-day at Sookumpo, but Lt. Douglas, the Army hockey captain, informed me that the game had been postponed to 10.30 a.m. to meet its final and the H. Q. Company of the Rajputana Rifles and the 7th Medium Battery of the M.K.S. 1000

with no inconsiderable success in the various provincial tournaments in England. Kho's greatest achievement to date, of course, was his capture of the Bournmouth hardcourt final of the Bournmouth hardcourt championship last year. No better pair of players can China choose to represent her in this international

Filipinos Also In

ANOTHER pleasing feature of the 1939 Davis Cup competition is the inclusion of the Philippines in the North American Zone. The Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation recently approved the recommendation of the P. I. Lawn Tennis

the day before a hurricane hit the nation, a Los Angeles Times reporter naturally followed the two barrets to run home in 31 seconds. The *Los Angeles Times* headline of the morning was by Strath-bannock over the Derby course in 4.22 registering 36 seconds for the "silent" egg to succeed whether Penoff (the Russian trainee) was

There was no such thing in or but it is to be doubted whether would make the claim now.

Prohibit Them

I HAVE long regarded Test im- as a thing that ought to be hindered, but I think those who

The second replay in the fourth round of the F. A. Cup competition between West Ham and Tottenham resulted in a win for the former by the odd goal in three after extra time. The match was played at Highbury.

Results of other matches played to-day were:

Boston, Mass., Jan. 28.
Glenn Cunningham, the Kans
ash, beat Blaine Rideout by si
yards in the mile run of the Knight
of Columbus track and field meet t
day, turning in a time of 4 minutes
15.2 seconds. Wayne Rideout, wi
a burst of speed in the final 50 yard
finished two feet behind his tw
brother.

Allen Tolmich equalled James A. ...
... record of 57 seconds.
... the 45-yard hurdles event. ...
... a Negro from Tufts College ...
... was second.
... K'n Capp of Brown University ...
... equalled the time turned in by B ...
... Johnson in the national meet in ...
... year, 5.4 seconds, to win the 60-ya ...
... dash. Frank Zelmetz of Boston C ...
... was second.
... Don Lash of Indiana won the two ...
... mile run in 9 minutes, 8.8 seconds ...
... beating Tommy Deckard by eig ...
... yards.—United Press.

(By "Fly-Half")

Yesterday afternoon from 2.30 p.m. onwards, the Malayan Interport rugby players put in some practice on the Club ground.

The forwards are a big lot and appear to out-weigh their local opponents. Their two second-row men, F. O. McCall and J. F. M. Rouallo, are about 6 ft. 4 ins. and 6 ft. 5 ins. respectively, and weigh on the average 15½ st. each. There is a big comparison between these two players and the Club second row, Peers and Walkden.

The all round height of the visiting forwards augurs well for their line-out prospects.

The backs appeared to be very noisy, especially the wings from whom a fine turn of speed is expected.

During the very calm voyage to Hongkong, it is learned, the team kept fit doing physical jerks under the expert supervision of Capt. F. W. Simpson. The change of climate, even although it is warm for a Hongkong winter at present, should act as a tonic for the visitors.

Richardson, Landon and Harper were the backs to take the eye in yesterday's try-out by their smart acceptance of passes and distribution.

His Excellency the Governor Sir Geoffrey Northcote, will be present at to-morrow's game and will meet the players five minutes before the match.

The following are the teams specially selected to win in the Home Football programme tomorrow:

Blackburn
West Brom.
Brighton
Newport
Swindon
Bradford C.
Rochdale
Falkirk

Stoke
Notts Forest
Northampton
Doncaster

New York, Feb. 2.

Max Schmeling, the German heavyweight boxer, arrived here to-day in an attempt to erase the stain of his one-round knock-out by Joe Louis, the present champion.

He denied he had been in trouble with the German Government, and denied reports that he had threatened to "break Goebbels' neck" if the German Propagandist Minister molested his wife, Anny Ondra. He said he last saw Goebbels about six weeks ago at a dinner.

In response to a question as to whether he had been sent to the United States to prove he was not in a concentration camp, he said "If I were in a concentration camp, I would not be here." He said he had planned to confer with Mike Jacobs, the promoter, to-day.

The German boxer says he is willing to fight anybody. "I plan to stay here from eight to 14 days, but longer if a fight is arranged. I would sure like to fight Louis again. I still think I can beat him," he added.—United Press.

Six-A-Side Tournament To Be Held

At the monthly meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association Council held yesterday at St. Andrew's Church Hall it was decided to hold a six-a-side Hockey Tournament commencing on April 2. The entries for this Tourney close on March 18.

Mr. R. Henderson has been appointed manager of the Colony Hockey team to visit Macao on March 20.

Sydney, Jan. 18.
The New South Wales Crick
Association has fixed December 1
8 as the date for the Testimonial
Match to Australia's ex-test crick
eters, W. A. Oldfield and A. F. Kip
pax.

The match will be played at the Sydney Cricket Ground and will honor these players in recognition of their services to the game for some years.

London, Jan. 18.
 Racing men will be intrigued by the news from Australia that an electric jockey's whip, which was picked up on a raccourse by a taxicab driver, is being inquired into by the stewards.

It is a cunning contrivance with cleverly concealed coil and battery. It is suspected that the jockey using it does not beat a horse with it, but places the end against neck or hind-quarters and presses a switch, thus giving the wretched animal an electric shock and causing it to run like the devil.

This invention heavily out-dates the stick and dangling carrot methods but what is worrying Australian authorities is that the taxi-driver is alleged to have lent the whip to a bookmaker.

It is feared that if use of the electric whip becomes general among bookmakers, they will be able to employ it on themselves at critical moments for "the book" to make faster getaways.

WHAT are the best surroundings for meal-times? We want an environment where our digestion is stimulated and our senses soothed.

The art of eating as apart from merely swallowing food varies in different countries, but talk at the table is always welcomed, whatever the language.

Talk, if it is pleasant or stimulating, is a piquant sauce, whereas a dull, prosy monologue is like a heavy coating of white sauce which hides all beneath with its tasteless surface.

Just as soup stimulates the digestive juices so an amusing story gets the party going and creates an easy atmosphere. Light, amusing talk will help on the real business of enjoying a good dinner and of digesting it easily.

Arguments have quite a different effect, especially when the subject is political or religious. The blood which is necessary to the stomach for its process of assimilating food is diverted to the brain and so a natural physiological process is upset.

This is especially true of family discussions at the table. So many people, especially women, air all their grievances at meals; nothing will teach them the folly of such a course. One would think that they rather enjoyed spoiling a good dinner by poisoning it with bitterness. This is really what happens: the liver becomes upset and the bile thrown out results in a bad headache or a bilious attack next day. With others, quarrelling at the table may just paralyse the stomach muscles through strong nervous strain.

AS well as our own physical and mental reaction to a miserable meal there is also the effect on our children or friends. If quarrelling is allowed the young members of the family soon indulge

Light Hearts Make Good Digestions



Whether to have the radio on at meals is a point on which families often differ

in bitter remarks or teasing. When you are young and healthy it takes a lot to make you ill, but the cumulative effect is one of disgust for family meals and a wrong idea of domestic life. The parents can soon learn self-restraint or patience between themselves and the children.

A mild correction of a child's manners is allowable because it makes more impression when delivered on the spot. Any serious debatable point between parents should be kept until the evening, when the children are in bed, the day's work is done, tempers have cooled down and the annoyances of the day have faded.

It is not always at the rich man's board that contentment

prevails. A poor family with meagre fare have more amusement, because unconsciously they realise how happiness deliciously flavours the plainest food.

Not the debatable subjects, nor the scientific subjects are suitable at meal times. The interest in debate or the eagerness to gain knowledge inhibits the digestion. At the early part of the dinner such a conversation may have no ill-effect, but if complete relaxation after the meal is missed by close thought, then the breaking up and absorption of the food may be delayed for hours.

Any topic which causes grief or pain should never be broached at the table. The anguish

of sorrow is a destroyer of normal health; only light dishes and gentle words can rebuild body and spirit.

OTHER offenders against the laws of health are office workers who snatch at meals. There should be an inquiry into the hours of office workers like the recent one on servants. So many women prefer to have a snack at their desk rather than make the effort to get out for lunch. Some save the valuable hour by eating hastily at work and spending the rest of the time out of doors. These will not suffer so badly because at least they get fresh air and mental relaxation.

We need a revival of the art of living to fit present day rush and strain. It should be made illegal for anyone to read a business letter or to continue working whilst eating.

Lectures on physiology should be popularised so that tired stomachs, torpid livers and overworked gall-bladders would be given a chance to function properly because their owners understood how they worked.

Light conversation or any amusing book may be permitted at an office lunch. But the very atmosphere of work does not stimulate the bodily processes like a walk in the fresh air or the pleasant aroma from a restaurant. The sight and smell of food bring increased saliva to our mouths which acts reflexly by causing an outpouring of gastric juices. That is just the right moment to sit down to food, listen to music, or gaze upon others and make idle chatter.

FAILING these surroundings, some exercise should be taken after stopping work before beginning to eat. If we must eat alone a light book or a picture paper will distract our thoughts and help us to eat slowly.

Whether to have the radio on at meals or not is a point on which families often differ. Light music or singing which is not loud enough to deafen or to make talk impossible is quite pleasant. But loud musical noises or a harsh voice booming into the room upsets the general harmony.

Our sense of well-being and capacity to work depend on how we look after the fueling of that delicate engine, our body.

From A Tin Of Salmon

A TIN of salmon is a good stand-by to have in the larder for the unexpected guest—but how many people serve their tinned salmon hot?

Try it in white sauce.—Open a tin of salmon, and strain off the sauce. Make an ordinary white sauce with butter, flour, and milk—but incorporate the salmon juice in the sauce. Don't forget to season well. Put the salmon (broken up) into the sauce to heat.

While it is heating make four small slices of toast. Dish the salmon mixture on this, and garnish with chopped hard-boiled egg, and parsley on top.

Salmon a l'Italian

Scald, peel, and slice three tomatoes. Fry one minced onion in a little fat and lay on a greased fire-proof dish. Add half of the tomatoes.

Open a tin of salmon. Flake it up and lay on top of tomatoes. Season well. Put on remainder of tomatoes, and sprinkle well with white bread-crumbs.

Mix together the oil from the tinned salmon, the fat in which the onions were fried, and a tablespoon of water. Pour this over the mixture, and bake in a moderate hot oven 20 minutes.

Salmon Loaf

Flake up the contents of a tin of salmon. Mix in with it 2 oz. bread-crumbs, grated rind of ½ lemon, 1 tea-spoon minced onion, 2 eggs well beaten, 1 gill milk, and seasonings of pepper and salt.

Pour all into a greased bread tin. Bake in a moderate oven 20-30 minutes. Turn out, and garnish with slices of lemon. Pour ½ pint white sauce round.

Try using tinned salmon with mashed potatoes for a fish pie; or combine it with rice (cooked) for kedgeree. You will find the result is much tastier than using ordinary white fish.

EGG, milk, and gravy stains should be sponged with cold water, then washed with hot water and soap.

Hot water should be used for chocolate or cocoa stains. Eucalyptus oil will remove almost any stain. Rub well with a rag soaked in oil, then sponge with water.

Service For Your Wardrobe

TRIVIAL repairs, such as sewing on buttons or mending split seams, can cause waste of time and patience if they are done when one is getting ready to go out.

Trying to cope with them when one has a bus or train to catch is a harassing task; if they are done when there is leisure, they do not appear half the trouble.

To be systematic in your dealing with minor repairs is well worth while. When you notice a garment requiring attention in the slightest degree make a note of it on a small pad, such as "Blue blouse—button. Tweed skirt—hem. Grey jacket—sleeve lining.

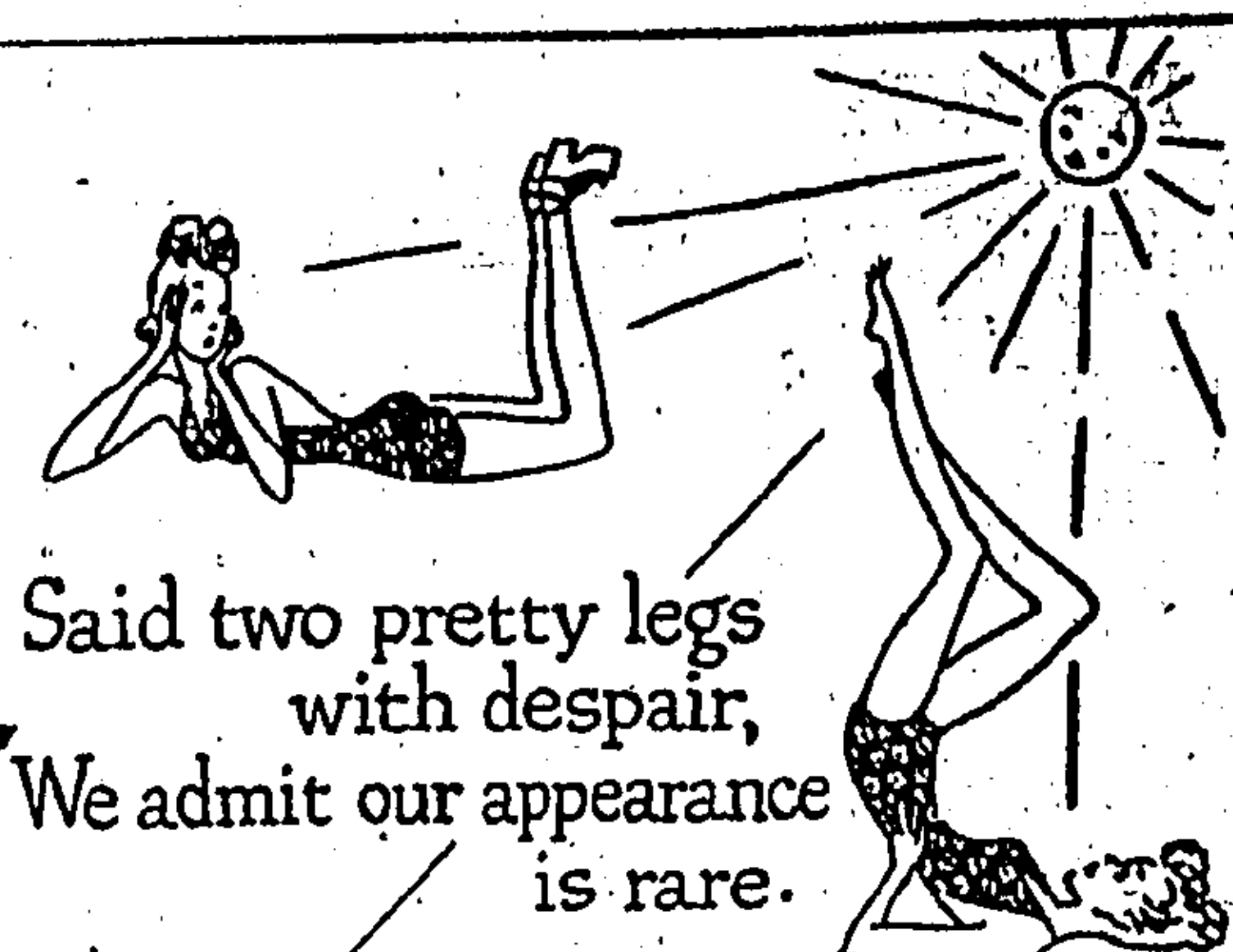
In spare moments you can work down the list, starting with the garment you may be requiring to wear at once, and each item is crossed off as it is finished. This list proves an infallible guard against letting these jobs accumulate.

More important still you will not experience the discomforting feeling which accompanies the knowledge of mending buttons, split seams and hems that have come untacked, a feeling which inevitably ruins poise and confidence in any woman wanting to look her best.

It is easy to procrastinate and push these mending jobs into the background; it is easier still to entirely forget that there are any to be done at all.

A list of such jobs to be done is highly effective for it proves a constant reminder if it is kept in a prominent place inside the wardrobe.

Lyn Grey



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What should a GAY GIRL WEAR?

By Mary Grace

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That is why I have had a look round for afternoon pretties—one for the daughter and one for the young married.

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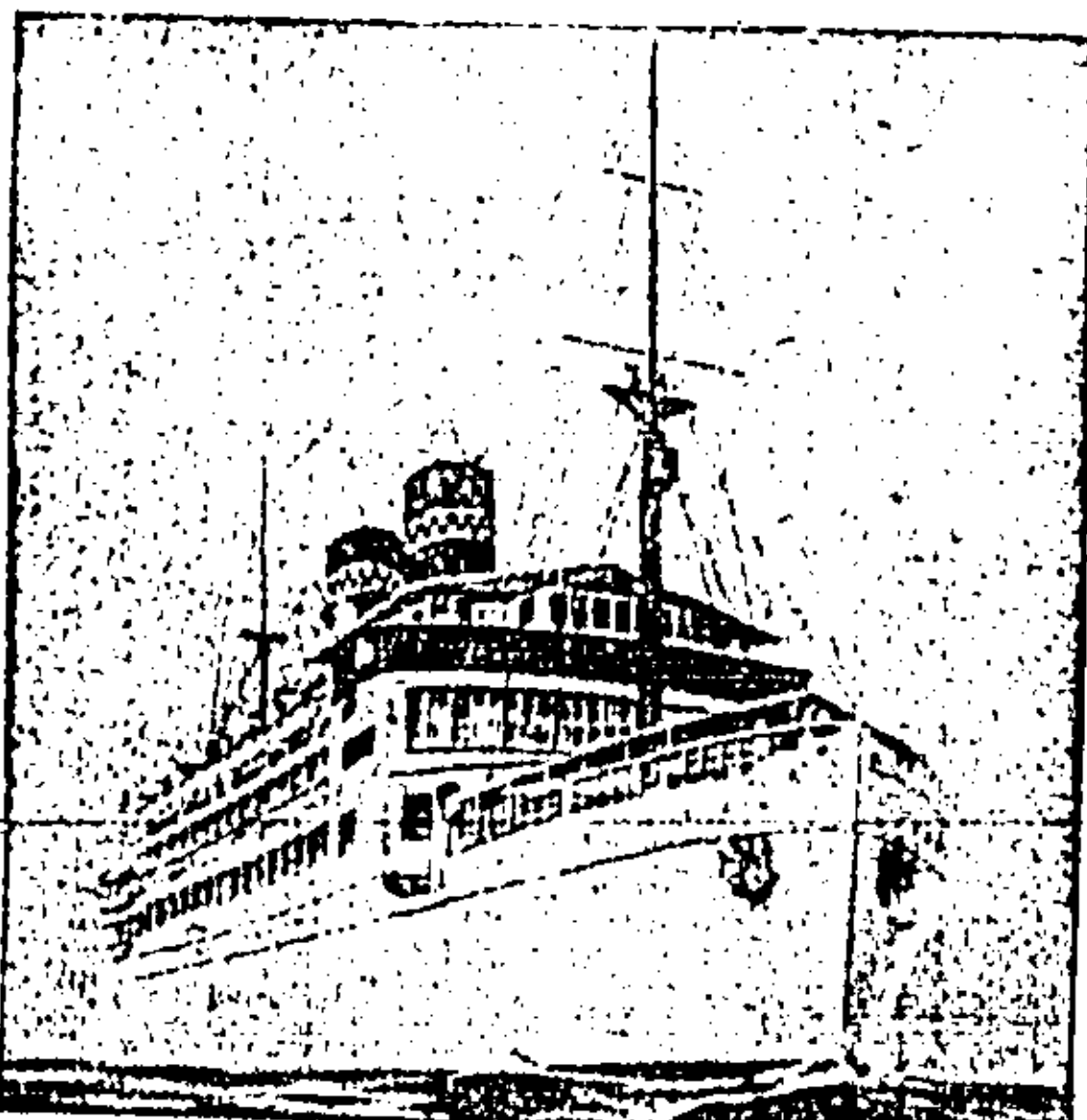
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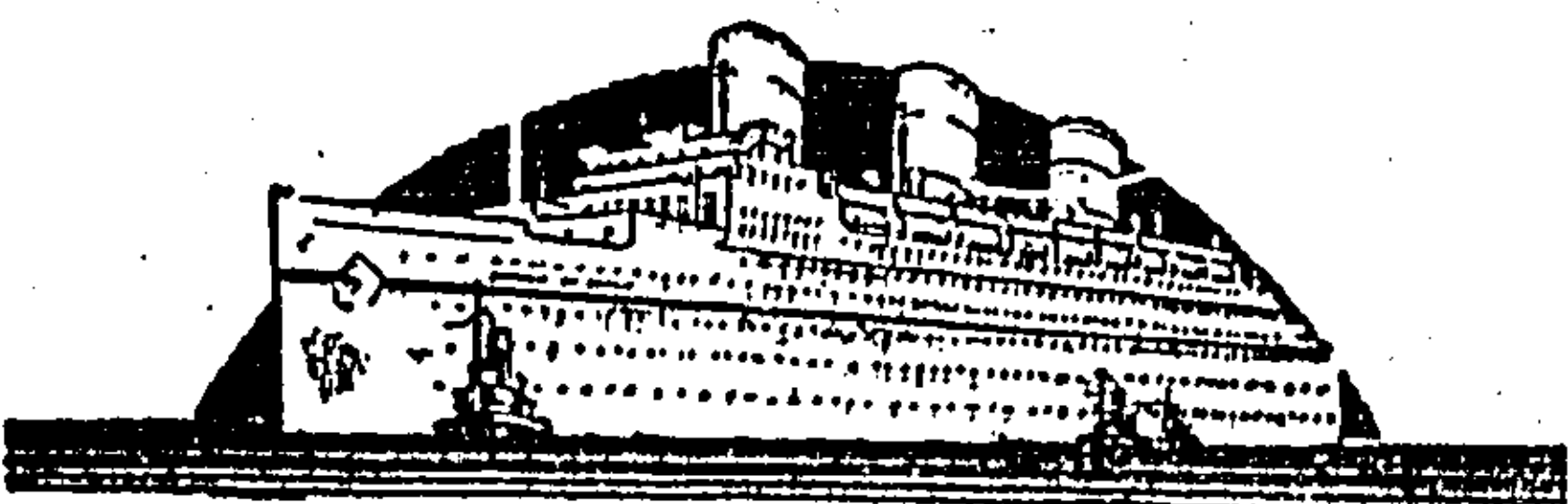
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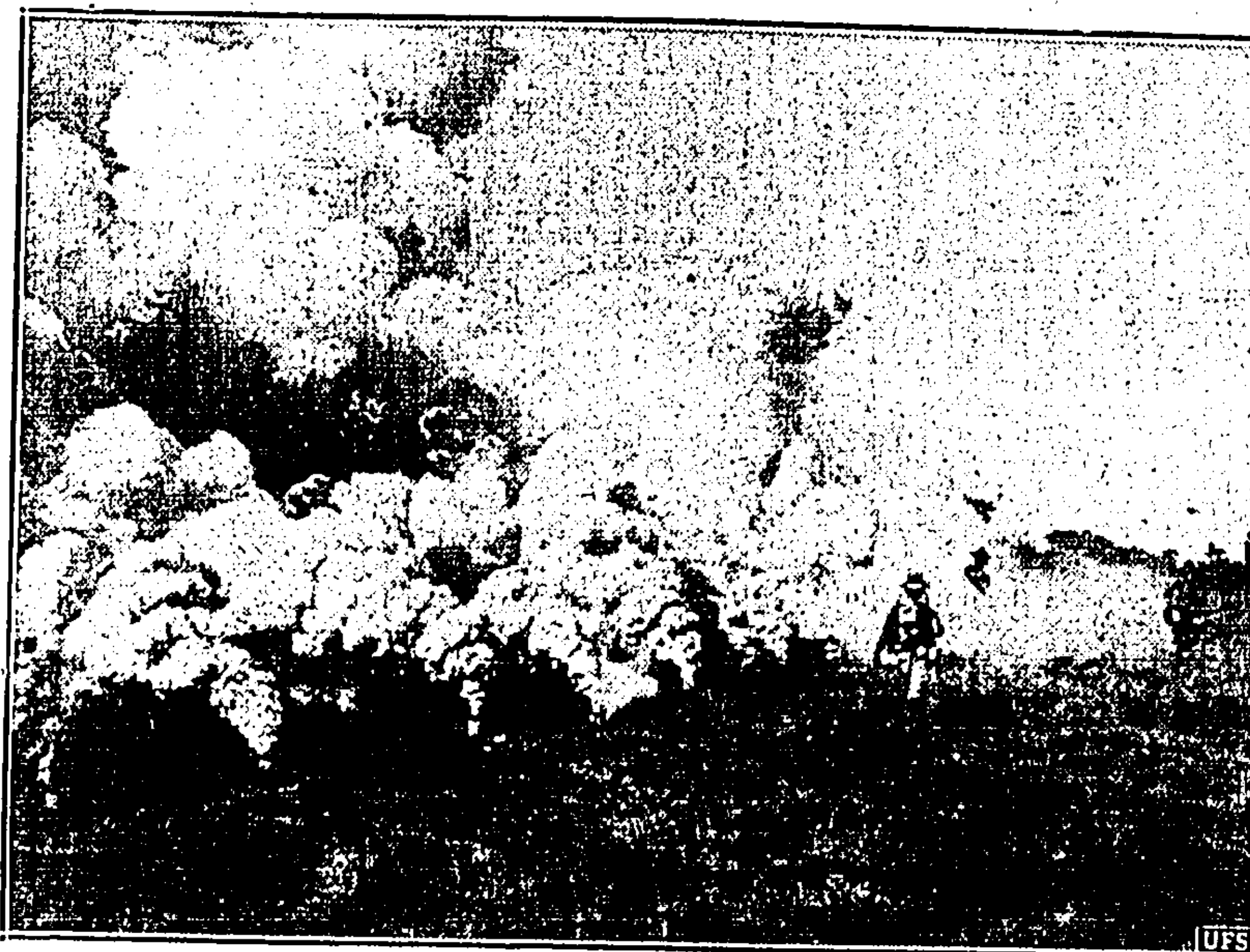
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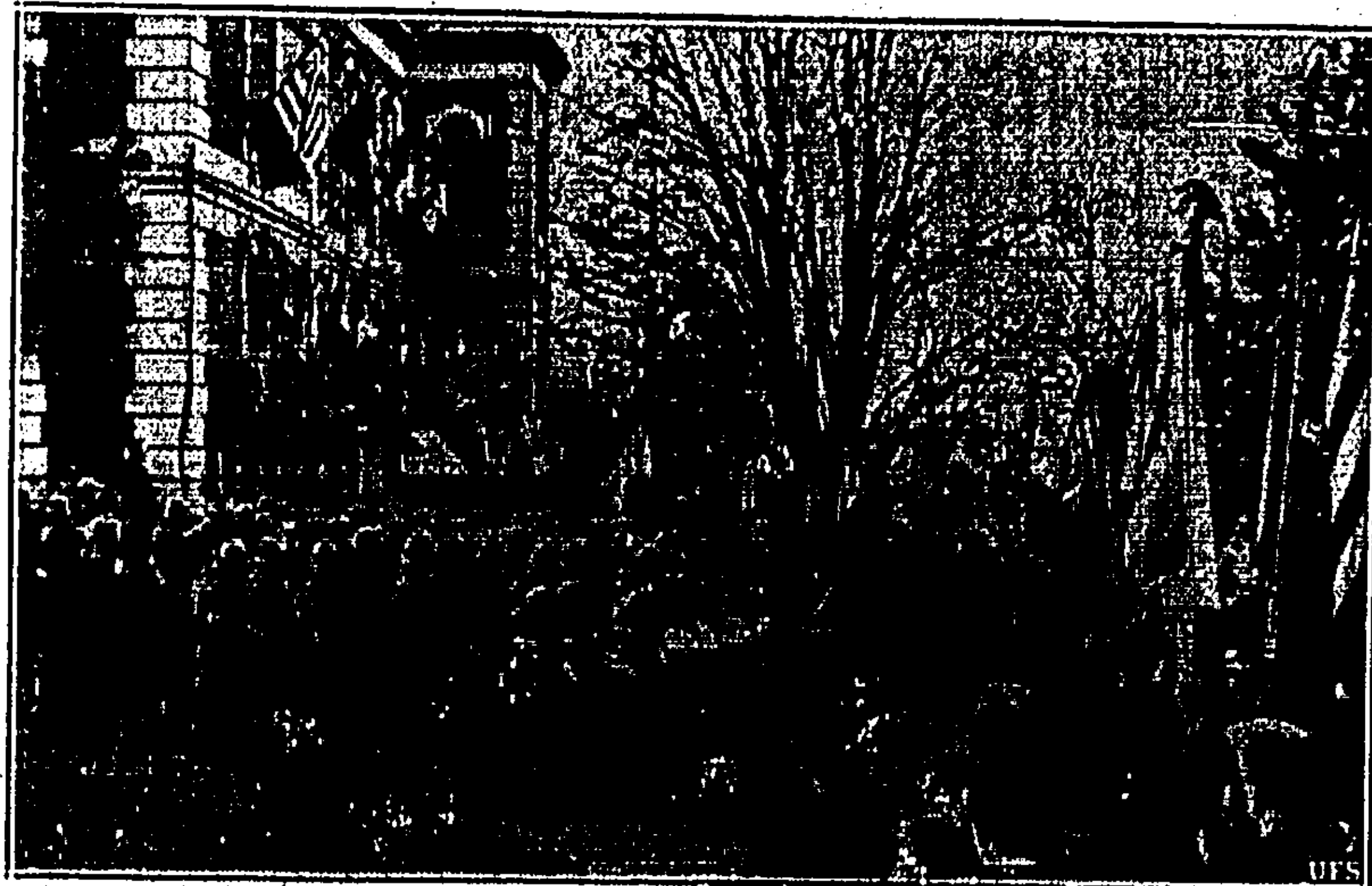
More German child refugees—this time 502 "non-Aryan" Christians and Catholics from Vienna—arrived recently at Fakenfield holiday camp near Lowestoft, England. Boy on the left cleans up his plate, while youngster, right, shields his face.



A heavy cloud of smoke covers the movements of the 65th Infantry, U.S. Army, stationed in Puerto Rico, during recent military manoeuvres for defence of the Panama Canal. The Army, under Col. John W. Wright, is defending a strategic point of land against an attacking party aboard a mythical ship off the island.



Ice blasts from the Northwest blew in a recent cold wave, with frigid weather from the Atlantic to the Rocky Mountains and from Canada to the Gulf, accompanied by snow and sleet in many sections. Here a Chicago harbour tug tows a small fishing boat to safety after it had been caught in a Lake Michigan ice jam.



Recent dedication of a plaque on the house in Clermont-sur-Oise, 30 miles from Paris, where General John J. Pershing called on Marshal Foch, on March 28, 1918, and informed him the American army was ready to fight. General Pershing's visit occurred at the height of the German offensive when the French army was hard pressed.



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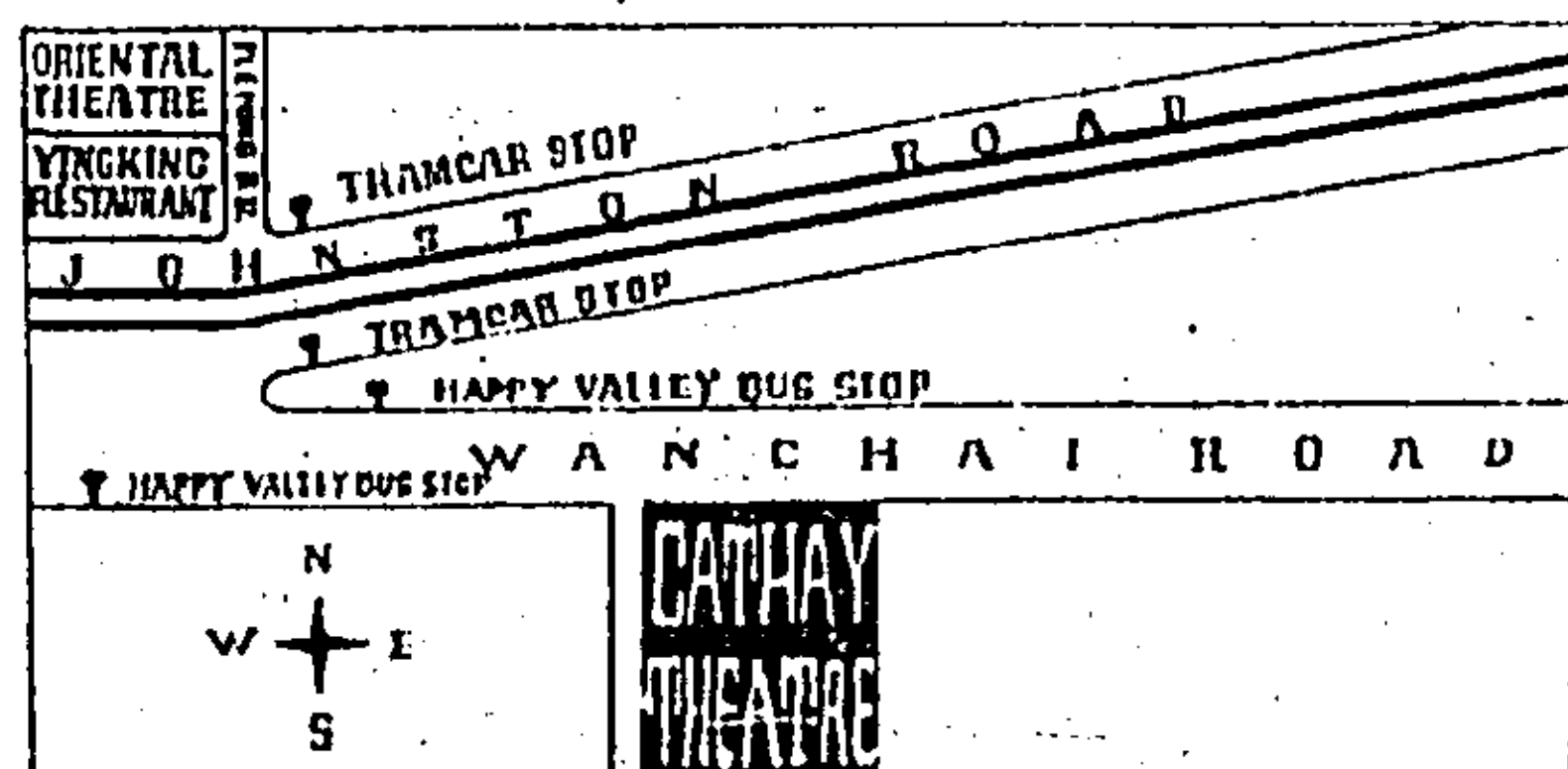
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The estimates for 1939 included \$34,184 for the transport of Government servants and this was commented upon by the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, who said: "It is surprising to me how they under-estimated—first there were \$150,000 and now \$34,000."

The Financial Secretary: It is very difficult to tell sometimes when newly-appointed officers are going to come out.

The Chairman (Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith): The ordinary leave is easier. The Financial Secretary: Even then it is difficult because I have had occasion to think of two or three officers who had to be sent home on medical grounds.

The supplementary votes for 1939 included special grants of \$150,000 to the Tung Wah Hospital and \$18,700 to the Emergency Relief Council.

LATE NEWS

Insurgents Continue Advance

Burgos, Feb. 2.
Insurgent troops to-day occupied Berga in the valley of Llobregat. Loyalist troops are reported to be retreating further on all fronts in the direction of the French frontier.

A detailed statement regarding the capture of Berga says that the insurgents advanced on Thursday morning in two columns on the town, completely surrounding the Loyalist garrison, which soon ceased to offer further resistance.

The occupation of Berga brings the insurgent troops in this sector to within 35 miles of the French frontier at Puigcerdà.

It is further announced that the Muestrazgo army corps has advanced a considerable distance beyond Vich and has captured the villages of Sevn, Taradell, and Ruidopéras, thus enveloping the Mont Seny mountain range in which the Loyalist artillery is entrenched.—Trans-Ocean.

China Coast Mariner Dies In Hospital

The death occurred in Kowloon Hospital this morning of Captain Thomas Balfour Robertson, formerly skipper of the Kalapoi, which sank off the Pukien coast last week.

Captain Robertson, who has been an employee of Williamsons for the last eight years, was 55 years of age. He had been ill for about a week. He was well-known up and down the China coast, and was regarded as an exemplary officer.

His leaves a widow, who is in Tasmania.

The funeral will take place this afternoon, entering the Stubbs Road gate at 5.30 p.m.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Donations to Charitable
And Other Funds

The S. C. M. Post has received the following donations to the Street Sleepers' Shelter Society in memory of the late Dr. Irvin Kew and Miss M. H. Hughes: 14.-Col. and Mrs. E. D. Matthews, \$10.
Mr. and Mrs. A. R. H. Phillips, \$20; Anonymous, \$20; Mr. R. Trigg, \$10.

THE S.P.C.A.

The S. C. M. Post has received the following donations to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in memory of the late Miss M. H. Hughes:
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DONATIONS AWAITING
Donations are lying at the Business Office of the South China Morning Post for the following:
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SPAIN AND CHINA

Speaker Sees Similarity
Of Struggles

Mr. Chang Chi, former member of the Fifteenth International Brigade in Loyalist Spain, was the speaker, on "Spain and China," at the weekly film meeting of the Hongkong Y's Men's Club at St. Francis Hotel yesterday.

Mr. Chang, who is a graduate of the University of Minnesota in mining engineering, said he handed in his name as a volunteer to the Committee for Spanish Democracy while he was in Peru, and crossed over to Spain in April 1937. The non-intervention pact had just come into force then, and volunteers had to sneak into Spain across the border.

The International Brigade had only been organised for about four months when he arrived, and at first he had joined the transport services. He was later transferred into the infantry at his own request.

He then dealt with the historical background of Spain, the present struggle, and its relationship with the Japanese invasion of China.

In comparing the present Spanish struggle with that of China, Mr. Chang said he could see a fundamental similarity in the psychology of the two peoples. He said that both peoples had recently emerged from a semi-futile system of society.

He concluded by saying that Spain and China were both fighting for a similar ideal, democracy and freedom.

The speaker was thanked by the Chairman, Mr. S. B. Tan.

Shipment Of Cattle

Tanda Brings Large Herd
From Australia

Five calves born on board increased a stock consignment, brought by the Tanda from Australia yesterday, to 57. Fifty-two are T. B. free cows being delivered by Messrs. William A. Jones, Pty. Ltd., Melbourne, to the Hongkong Dairy Supply Company, whose herd, which now numbers nearly 100, grazes on land at Customs Pass Road.

The shipment attracts attention to the fact that the Hongkong Dairy Supply Company, which was formed in 1937 to manufacture reconstituted milk, has gone into original dairying. Its reconstituted product was first put on the market last year.

Good judgment attends the Tanda's delivery, for the 47 cows that have not yet calved will do so within a few weeks and the Dairy Company will have a fresh herd immediately in service. In any case Messrs. E. Mulholland and J. Follett, Australian stockmen who attended the consignment, were fortunate that only five calves were born to add to the burden of looking after the 52 cows landed here and 10 landed at Manila.

The Manila consignment was delivered to the Santa Mesa Dairy, which is also changing over entirely to Australian stock, having found the breed more hardy than other cattle.

Cows on board ship demand plenty of care. The Tanda's consignment was first watered and fed each day at 4 a.m., fed again at midday, watered and fed once more at 3.30 p.m., and then given as much lucerne hay as they might wish to toy with during the night. Keeping to this programme, they ate their way through 300 bags of chaff, 92 bags of bran, and about 11 tons of lucerne by the time they reached Hongkong. They showed the benefit of it, arriving in thriving condition.

Big Shipment In August

Sixteen were located in stalls on the deck, the remainder being on the shelter deck. The Tanda's shelter deck accommodation makes her a popular ship for stock deliveries. Its limits will be taxed on her August trip when she will carry 150 cattle and horses, the horses being for the Hongkong Jockey Club.

Mr. W. A. Jones arrived by the Tanda to deliver the cattle. He will go with the Tanda to Shanghai, returning before the ship to Hongkong and Manila, and joining her at the latter place for the return trip to Australia.

COW CAUSES PANIC

A lively episode was associated with the unloading of 10 Australian cows from the Tanda at Manila on her way to Hongkong. Nine of the cows went quietly, but the other took fright at the brightly coloured clothing of the clustering Filipinos and bolted down the wharf.

The scene immediately became one of panic. There was a wild scramble of shouting Filipinos, one youth leaping on to a bag of fodder less than an inch ahead of the animal's plunging horns.

At the end of the wharf the cow was confronted by a coramata drawn by its small Filipino pony. The terrified animal charged the vehicle, and when it drew back the pony was lying on the ground, dying.

The cow raced back along the wharf, paused at the edge, and then, almost deliberately, dove into the water.

One of the Australian stockmen who had come up in charge of the cattle promptly dived in after the cow. He pursued her under the wharf and out the other side, where he caught her. He held her there until a crane could lower a net, and then came up triumphantly sitting on her hump.

His first triumph was short-lived, for the net collapsed and man and beast plunged into the water again. The second effort was successful and, once on land, the cow became suddenly quiet.

She gave no more trouble and soon, in that disinterested way cows have, was unconcernedly chewing the cud.

MAILS AND BEES MIXED

Herbert Jamison, ADA, O., carries mail for a living, keeps 45 hives of Italian honey bees as a hobby. Last summer, Jamison took more than 7,000 pounds of honey from the hives, realizing a sizeable profit.

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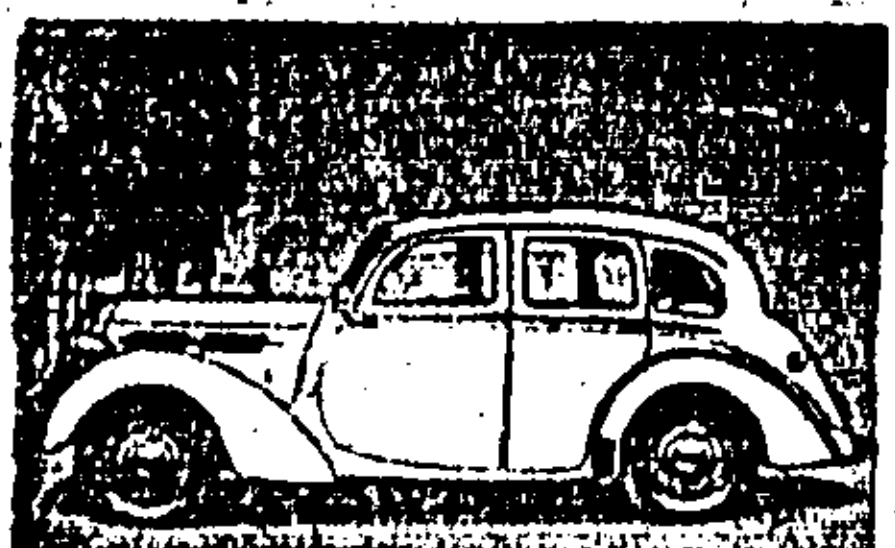
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A HAPPY CEREMONY took place at noon to-day aboard the Italian liner Conte Verde when Mr. E. Cock, M.B.E., A.M.I.C.E., M.I.N.A., head of the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., received the insignia of the Order of the Knight Commander of the Crown of Italy.

The decoration was bestowed by the Marquis G. Pagano di Melito, Italian Consul General in Hongkong in the presence of a large gathering. Mr. G. B. Scarpa, agent for the Lloyd Triestino Company in Hongkong, officers of the ship, and friends of Mr. Cock were present.

TYPHOON RECALLED

The award was made in gratitude for Mr. Cock's services in securing the re-floating and repairing of the Conte Verde in good time when she was stranded outside Lyceum Pass in the typhoon of September 2, 1937.

Recipients of the Order are entitled to call themselves Commandants.

British Gunboat On Visit To Macao

Macao, Feb. 2. Under the command of Lieut.-Comm. D. L. C. Craig, H.M.S. Seamew arrived in Macao on a short visit yesterday afternoon. The usual exchange of salutes and official calls were given when the Seamew berthed in Portuguese waters.

The Seamew's officers were the guests of Mr. F. J. Gellion, British Vice-Consul for Macao, and Mrs. Gellion, for dinner yesterday evening, and a luncheon was held in their honour by H.E. the Governor of Macao, Dr. A. Tamagnini Barbosa, to-day. The Governor and his official party dined on board the Seamew this evening and an At Home was held shortly before noon on the visiting warship.

The ship's company engaged a local team in a soccer match this afternoon and the Seamew's team lost by a score of three goals to two.

H.M.S. Seamew will leave this port to-morrow morning.—Our Own Correspondent.

H.K. BROADCAST TO U.S. Special Programme Across Pacific

FOR THE SECOND time in history, special programmes broadcast from ZBW have been relayed throughout the United States.

In response to a request from the National Broadcasting Corporation of America, Hongkong's broadcasting station went on the air at 9 o'clock yesterday morning. Only the short-wave transmitter was used, the programme being picked up in Manila, and relayed from there by trans-Pacific radio-phones to San Francisco.

MILLIONS HEAR

From San Francisco, ZBW's special programme was broadcast through the N.B.C. network of stations to millions of American listeners. The broadcast was made in connection with the Tenth Anniversary Programme of the First International

"NO LONGER AN INDEPENDENT COUNTRY," MOSCOW ALLEGES

MOSCOW, FEB. 2.

M. MAXIM LITVINOV, THE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER, HAS INFORMED THE HUNGARIAN MINISTER THAT THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO SEVER DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH HUNGARY.

The decision has been taken owing to German pressure on Hungarian affairs, and because of Hungary's adherence to the anti-Comintern Pact.

M. Litvinov informed the Hungarian Minister that the Soviet Legation at Budapest would be closed, and the Soviet Government expected the closure of the Hungarian mission in Moscow.

According to the official agency, the decision of the Soviet is connected with the fact that as a result of the Munich agreement, Hungary has lately been subjected to strong pressure by certain

States, and the "policy of the Hungarian Government shows that it easily yielded to this pressure and has lost its independence to a considerable degree."

AGGRESSIVE AIMS

It is pointed out that the decision of the Hungarian Government to join the anti-Comintern Pact cannot be justified by the interests of the Hungarian State itself, which by no means coincide with the aggressive aims pursued under the guise of this pact by its participants, and in the first place by Japan.

Consequently, the decision has been forced upon the Hungarian Government from outside.

Soviet circles explain that distinction is made between other signatories of the pact and Hungary because the other signatories are still independent States. It is declared that "Hungary is now a vassal of the Rome-Berlin axis, and does not deserve full diplomatic status."—*Reuter*.

A GREAT SURPRISE

The decision of the Soviet Government to break off diplomatic relations with Hungary has called forth the following comment in Hungarian circles at Moscow:

The step, coming so suddenly and without previous warning, is a great surprise. Complying with the Soviet demand, the Hungarian envoy at Moscow notified his Government at Budapest of the Soviet's step. However, nothing is known as to what decision Budapest will make.

Hungarian semi-official circles here further stated that M. Litvinov had suggested that the safeguarding of the interests of the two countries would be entrusted to the respective diplomatic representatives of both Soviet Russia and Hungary in a third country.

It is, moreover, confirmed in Hungarian circles that M. Litvinov actually had a talk with Hungarian envoy to-day.

The impression prevails in Moscow diplomatic circles that the drastic and sudden step towards Hungary is intended as a warning to other States which might in future join the anti-Comintern Pact.

Special attention is paid to the fact that Japan is definitely mentioned in the official communiqué as one of the "aggressive anti-Comintern Powers."—*Trans-Ocean*.

BRITISH PLANE CRASH

Shot Down By Arab Irregulars

JERUSALEM, Feb. 2.

A BRITISH AEROPLANE was shot down by Arab irregulars while cruising over the village of Deir Ballut, at a low altitude to-day, the British pilot being killed in the crash.

The machine, with others, had been ordered to assist searching parties at work in the Samaria district.

Numerous other minor incidents which occurred to-day indicate that Arab resistance has not diminished. A train was wrecked on the Jaffa-Jerusalem route as a result of sabotage, although the extent of the damage is not yet known.

A bomb was tossed into the office of a Jewish taxicab company in Jerusalem, the building being practically destroyed.

A Jewish iron-ware factory in Akko was partially destroyed through a fire started by Arabs, and an Arab was shot from an ambush in the same town.

The body of an Arab, riddled with bullets, has been discovered west of Rampeh.—*Trans-Ocean*.

No Racial Discrimination In Britain

London, Feb. 2.

"In this country there is no official system of classifying people by race or religion," declared the Home Secretary amid cheers in the House of Commons when asked to-day what proportion of refugees admitted to the United Kingdom in recent months was Jewish.

Sir Samuel Hoare added the information that the number of refugees from Germany admitted since September 30 last was about 12,000.—*British Wireless*.

Hongkong People Rush To Join A. R. P. Work

THOUSANDS OF VOLUNTEERS have answered the call for recruits to join the Air Raid Precautions organisation in Hongkong.

This revelation was made by Wing-Commander A.H.S. Steele-Perkins, A.R.P. Officer in Hongkong, when interviewed by the "Telegraph" this morning.

Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins described the response to the appeal launched by his department as "overwhelmingly satisfactory."

"Both Europeans and Chinese have responded magnificently," he declared. "Men and women in the Colony have shown that they are keenly interested in A.R.P. work."

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

TRAINED The A.R.P. Officer told the "Telegraph" that Government services have already been trained, in some cases, while others are busy taking courses.

"The Police Department has set for examinations, the Colonial Secretariat staff has been trained, and P.W.D. and Urban Council officials are prepared in A.R.P. work."

"The staffs of the Import and Export Department and of the Harbour Office are now undergoing training."

Twenty-two Air Raid sub-Committees have been formed under the Air Raid Warden scheme, Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins disclosed.

The Wardens have already chosen their posts and are now recruiting personnel and training volunteers.

TRAMWAY TO LEAD

Among the private firms, the Hongkong Tramway Company has taken a distinctive lead and is now completely ready to protect itself and its employees against gas, fire and high explosives. This Company, Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins revealed, has even gone so far as to request the Government to train one of its staff for anti-gas instruction. He has passed his examination and is now training many of the employees of the Company.

The Tramway Company is stated to have spent a considerable sum of money in bringing its organisation into a high pitch of efficiency.

Gib. Governor To Tour Morocco

Gibraltar, Feb. 2.

The Governor of Gibraltar, General Sir Edmund Ironside, will, it is announced, pay an official visit to French Morocco during the latter part of February.

In view of the existing tension between France and Italy, considerable importance is attached to the visit, which is regarded as a clear demonstration of Anglo-French solidarity.

The French cruiser squadron which arrived here some days ago on a visit, left again on Thursday.—*Trans-Ocean*.

The loss of a tortoise-shell cigarette case, with a gold medallion attached, valued at £2-10, has been reported to the police by Mr. B. A. D. Forrest, chief magistrate at the Central Magistracy.

\$250,000 FOR GOVT. SHIPS

FOUR NEW LAUNCHES, costing \$250,000, are under construction for the Hongkong Government, the "Telegraph" learns.

These vessels have been ordered by the Harbour Department.

Included in the orders is a new launch for the Postal Department, to be used for conveying mails across the harbour to and from Kowloon, and to and from ships in mid-stream.

Another launch, when commissioned, will replace the old Police Launch No. 10, while a third vessel will replace the Harbour Department launch No. 4.

The fourth vessel, which is being constructed at a cost of \$90,000, will be used as a control launch at Kai Tak Airport.

Roosevelt's Declaration

PRESIDENT IN UNASSAILABLE POSITION IN U.S.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S position remains unassailable, is the conclusion reached in circles close to the Administration, following the latest foreign policy developments.

They declare that the President's declaration was so clear that it cannot be quoted against him.

Secondly, his power to recommend and follow the policy indicated cannot be questioned.

Thirdly, Mr. Herbert Hoover's condemnation is offset by his own former Secretary of State, Mr. Stimson, who supports an anti-Fascist boycott and the lifting of the arms embargo to Spain.

Fourthly, those who attack President Roosevelt very likely received the benediction of the Italian and German newspapers which would be most damaging to their public standing.—*Reuter*.

"ITALY'S FRONTIER AT PANAMA"

Rome, Feb. 2.

If the United States frontiers extend to the Rhine, Italy's must extend to the Panama Canal, declared Signor Gayda, writing in "Giornale d'Italia".

He describes President Roosevelt's reported statement to the Senate Military Affairs Committee as a "premeditated act of open provocation of war, and discouragement of Mr. Chamberlain."

He adds that President Roosevelt has taken sides openly against Germany and Italy.—*Reuter Special*.

WORLD REACTION TO PLEDGE

Remarkable interest has been aroused, throughout the entire world, by President Roosevelt's statement to the Senate Military Affairs Committee, in which he is stated to have pledged American support for democracy in the event of a war with the Totalitarians.

In England and France, newspapers and public speakers are unanimous in their expression of gratification.

The Liberal "News-Chronicle" says that President Roosevelt is merely expressing the fact that the ideals for which the United States stands will be won or lost, not on the Mississippi, but on the Rhine.

The Labour "Daily Herald" believes that war in Europe is a great deal less likely now that the Totalitarians know where America stands. It warns, however, that no more should be read into the reports of Mr. Roosevelt's advice than was given.

CO-OPERATION IN CHINA The "Manchester Guardian" believes that two conditions are necessary in order to secure American aid—a much sterner policy in Europe and close co-operation with the United States in the Far East.

The French Press unanimously welcomes President Roosevelt's declaration.

In Berlin, however, it is interpreted as an abandonment of the U.S. policy of neutrality.

In Paris "Le Jour" believes that President Roosevelt has succeeded in holding back from war the autocratic states who are short of money.

In Berlin, the "Boetung Zeitung" leads the attack on President Roosevelt by saying that, accustomed as Germany is to polytechnics from the United States, no one would have believed it possible that such an incitement to war would have been issued 24 hours after the Fuehrer's speech.

WHEN U.S. WOULD FIGHT In the United States public feeling is running at a high pitch of excitement.

One of the most significant utterances.—*(Continued on Page 4.)*

ALFONSO CONGRATULATES INSURGENTS

Eulogistic Telegram To Franco

BURGOS, Feb. 2.

EX-KING ALFONSO of Spain, and his son, Don Juan, today exchanged telegrams with General Franco on the occasion of the fall of Barcelona.

The message from King Alfonso reads as follows: "My enthusiastic and heartfelt congratulations, also to the whole glorious army led by Your Excellency, and my gratitude as a Spaniard, together with the assurance of my devotion and of my confidence in the re-awakening of our country."

General Franco replied: "Most grateful for your congratulations and your tribute to the army, as well as for the assurance of your devotion and of your confidence. I send sincere and hearty greetings."

It is stated that the telegram exchanged between Don Juan and General Franco were couched in equally cordial terms.—*Trans-Ocean*.

LOYALIST APPEAL DISALLOWED

The House of Lords, as the supreme court of appellate judgment, to-day disallowed an appeal lodged by the Spanish Loyalist Government against the judgment of the Court of Appeal, confirming the arrest of the Spanish steamer Arantzazu Mendil, in British waters.

The steamer, which belonged to a Spanish insurgent owner had been requisitioned by the Loyalist.

LATEST

JAPANESE SUBMARINE DISASTER

TOKYO, Feb. 3.

OVER FORTY MEN are trapped in the steel shell of a Japanese submarine lying on the seabed in several fathoms of water off Kyushu.

The submarine, No. 33 sank early yesterday morning after it collided with another vessel whilst participating in manoeuvres.

The incident occurred in Bungo Channel, between Shikoku and Kyushu.

It cannot be ascertained yet whether any of the crew have survived the disaster.

Other ships are rushing to the scene. They include salvage ships, which hope to make contact with the submarine this morning.—*Domei*.

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NEW BORDER CLASHES Manchukuo Protests to Russia

TOKYO, Feb. 3.

THE MANCHUKUO GOVERNMENT has vigorously protested to Russia through the Soviet consul at Harbin over the alleged incident on the Manchukuo-Soviet frontier on January 31.

The protest declared that 100 Soviet soldiers crossed the frontier near the Hengokli and opened fire on the Manchukuo border station.

The Manchukuo guards returned fire, and after more than an hour's fighting, the Soviet troops withdrew, leaving five dead and three wounded.

There were no casualties among the Japanese, it is added.—*Reuter*.

TOKYO PROTESTS Tokyo, Feb. 3. The Foreign Office requested the Embassy in Moscow to demand the

DIAMONDS AND GOLD VANISH

£120,000 TREASURE MISSED FROM SHIP

Brussels.

WHEN the Belgian steamer Elisabethville arrived at Antwerp recently from the Congo it was found that diamonds and gold ingots to the value of £120,000 had disappeared from the ship's safe.

No trace of any attempt to force the safe open could, however, be found.

Police boarded the Elisabethville at Flushing and began an inquiry. When the steamer arrived at Antwerp no one was allowed to go on board.

FOUND IN LUGGAGE

A newspaper stated later that part of the missing valuables had been found in some luggage.

The diamonds and gold were apparently stolen from a strong-room where postal packages are kept.

During the voyage the captain found abandoned a box in which treasures are usually stored. He made inquiries which resulted in the discovery of the theft.—Reuter.

The Elisabethville (8,351 tons) is a passenger vessel belonging to the Cie. Maritime Belge (Lloyd Royal) S.A. (Agence Maritime Internationale, Managers) and registered at Antwerp.

Widow Pays £500 For Slander

FOR saying that a fellow-member of a London club had left the country because he was wanted by the police, Mrs. Sutton Chapman, a widow, formerly of Queen's Gate, Bayswater, W., was ordered at Middlesex Sheriff's Court recently to pay £500 damages for slander, and costs.

The action which was not defended, was brought by Mr. Harry Woudstra, aged 31, of Old Oak-road, Acton, W.

Mr. Redger Winn, for Mr. Woudstra, said Mrs. Sutton Chapman told members of the club that he had been refused admission to South Africa.

"That is utterly and completely untrue," said Mr. Winn. "There is not a shred of truth in any of these things that have been said."

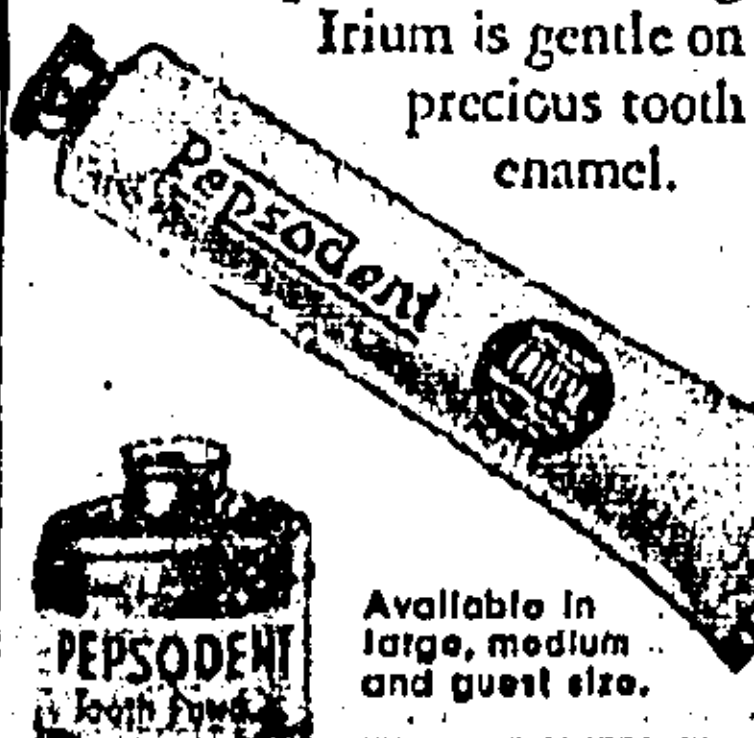
Rosemary Lane, star of Warner Bros. Pictures, appearing in "Four Daughters"



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'Seek Top-Hat Burglar'

Mrs. Karen Ostrer, wife of cinema magnate Mark Ostrer, who was robbed of jewels worth nearly £10,000 on the eve of her wedding anniversary, advised Scotland-yard officers recently to look for a "top-hatted" burglar moving among the rich in the West End.

The gems were taken from a wall safe in her bedroom, at her home in Portland-place, W., while she and her husband were at a cinema.

She said: "The burglar took the diamond bracelet my husband gave me when my first baby was born, but left other expensive bracelets."

The King May Radio Instructions from U.S.A. to His Council of State in London

A COUNCIL of State will be appointed to act for the King while he and the Queen are on their Canadian and American tour in June. The Councilors will be the Duke of Gloucester, the Duke of Kent, the Princess Royal, and Princess Arthur of Connaught.

If the King had been travelling alone the Queen would have been the first Councilor.

By letters patent under the Great Seal the King will delegate to the Councilors of State certain of the Royal functions, including prerogative and statutory powers. They will also be empowered to receive any homage to be done to the King.

The functions will be specified in the letters patent, but they will not include power to dissolve Parliament. This remains in the personal control of the King.

Provision is made, however, so that if the Prime Minister should ask for a General Election in the King's absence the request can be conveyed to the King, who can then telegraph instructions to the Councilors. This opens up the possibility, remote though it is, of the King dissolving Parliament in London by an edict issued from the seat of the American Government in Washington.

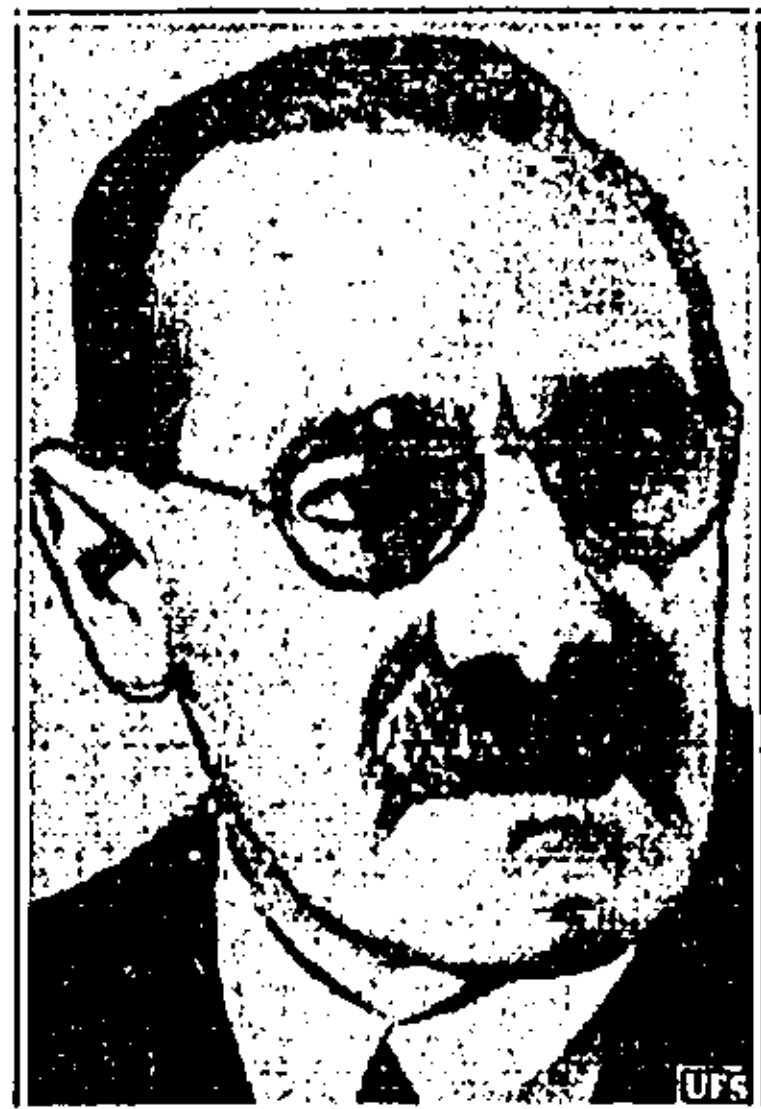
IN TOUCH WITH CABINET

From every important centre on his tour it will be possible for the King to get into touch with the Councilors of State or his Ministers in London.

The inauguration recently of the radio-telephone link between Britain and Newfoundland, which the King and Queen are to visit on their way home, has made these facilities complete.

In the event of any emergency the King would be able to take a personal part in any consultations.

The appointment of the Councilors of State will not require legislation. They will be the first Councilors to be appointed under the Regency Act of 1937, which provides permanent machinery for meeting three contingencies: the succession of a minor to the throne, the illness of the Sovereign, or the absence of the Sovereign from the country.



Because they tried to buy their way in by paying cash to purse-poor peeresses who might sponsor them, 50 girls and women have found their applications to be presented at the British court turned down by the Earl of Clarendon, above, British Lord Chamberlain. His office is rightly attempting to stamp out this practice.

Kerosene Imbiber Lives

EDMONTON, Alta. Lee Boyle, 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Boyle, recovered in the hospital here from the effects of having drunk a can of coal oil.



This group of Chinese who recently left Hongkong on the President Pierce were organised for the purpose of visiting the two international expositions being held in America this year. They are travelling under the auspices of the American Express Company and being personally conducted by Professor Kiang Kang-hu, Consultant of the Library of Congress, Washington. The party will proceed first to San Francisco and later in the summer will journey across the States to see the World Fair at New York. Several members of the party will return here by way of the Pacific while the others will continue round the world via Europe and return towards the end of the year.

WHEN YOU WEAR YOUR GLOVES...

YEOVIL (Somerset).

GEORGE MARGETTS, fifty-seven-year-old glove maker, sits at home in his council house at Stoke, near Yeovil, wondering when he will work again. He knows where his work has gone—to Czechoslovakia and Italy, where it helps to build bombers.

In Yeovil and the villages around, centre of England's age-old glove industry, most of the world's finest glove makers are working half time. Some, like George Margetts, have not worked for a year.

But what hopes? Foreigners are making nearly half the gloves worn in Britain. Czechoslovakia makes half of the gloves we import.

When George Margetts works he is paid 70s. a week but the Czech-

Now they are signing on at the

labour exchange for three days out of six.

Charles Blake, president of the National Glovers' Union, signs on at Yeovil Labour Exchange.

Rather than have half of their number working all the time and half idle, the glovers agree to share the burden of unemployment that Czechoslovakia and Italy have put on them.

The glovers lost to foreigners nearly £500,000 in wages last year up to October.

Foreigners sent 671,000 dozen pairs of leather gloves in that time—that is one pair for every fifth person in England, Scotland and Wales—enough work to last 5,000 glove-makers a year.

Czechoslovakia can sell gloves in this country at 40s. a dozen pairs, despite a 30 per cent. tariff. The nearest English type is 48s.

The industry asked the Import Duties Advisory Committee last week for a duty of 35 per cent., with a minimum duty of 15s. a dozen pairs.

On the committee's decision rest the fate of George Margetts's livelihood and the future happiness of 15,000 glove workers.



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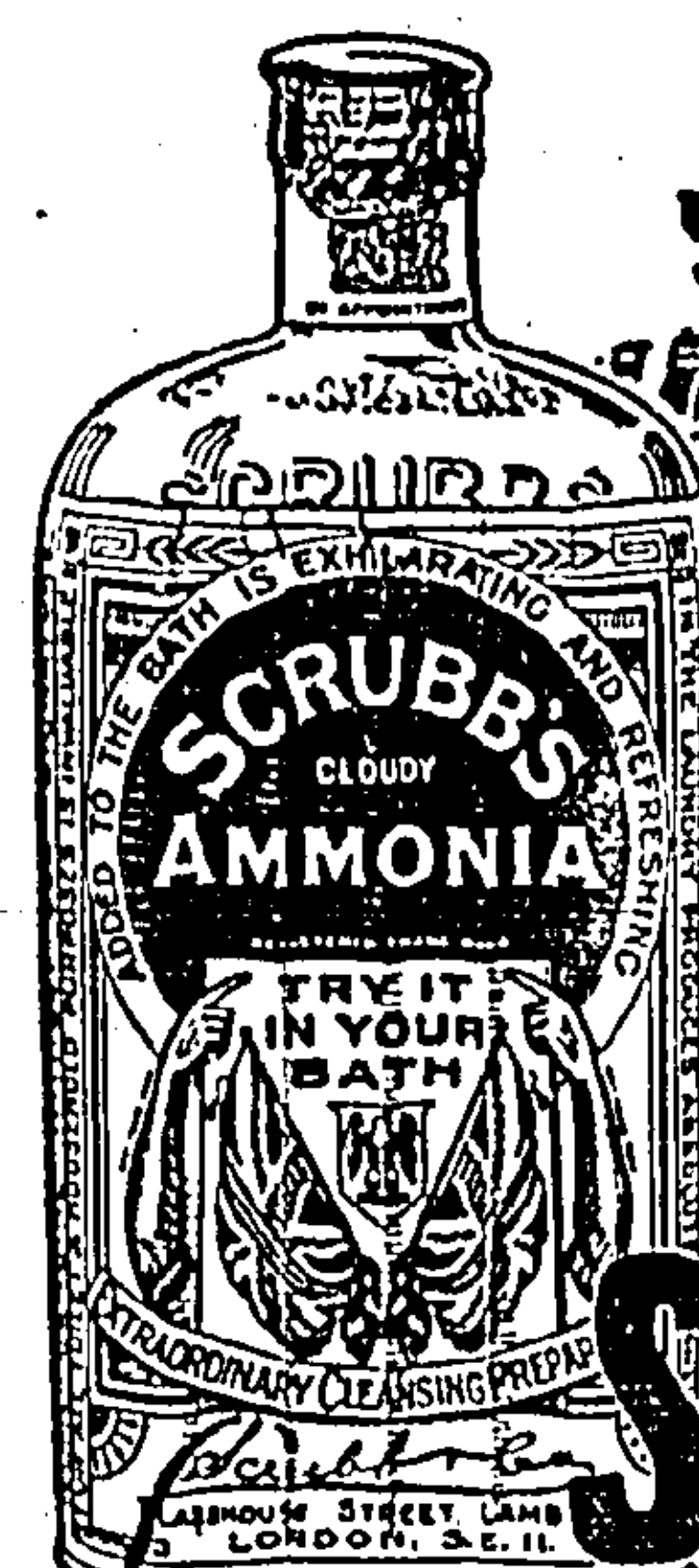
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- F1008 (I Go Twice a Week to the Pictures, (Down at Dooley's Dance. TESSIE O'SHEA with her BANJOLELE ORCH.
- 9431 (We've Got to Keep up with the Jones, (Winter Draws On. Oh Ma Ma.
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Ex-Countess Threatened Breach of Promise Suit OFFICER FOUGHT AT PARTY Now They're Reconciled—"She's Withholding The Action"

MRS. W. H. PATTERSON—formerly the Countess Anna Monici—has been instructed by her solicitors to sue Capt. Henry Dobinson, friend of her late husband, for breach of promise.

Later he was involved in a fight at her studio-flat in Bloomsbury after a Christmas party—and recently they were reconciled—"the Countess has agreed to withhold the action for the time being," he said.

Mrs. Patterson is an artist—still signs her paintings "Monici"—opera singer, and formerly lived in Venice.

STAYED IN VENICE

Capt. Dobinson, a member of the Committee for Non-Intervention in Spain, has been her friend for many years, and was entertained at Venice by her and the Count.

He served in the war with her second husband, who died a year ago. He stated recently that he still hoped the ex-countess would marry him.

Pointing to a deep cut on his forehead, Capt. Dobinson said: "Let me first assure you that this has nothing to do with the fight that followed the Countess's party, and has nothing to do with the proceedings that have been started against me for breach of promise."

"The fight occurred outside the flat, and arose because I objected to remarks made by certain people at the party."

NOT HURT

"I was uninjured in the fight. The wound you see now happened some time later. I do not propose to discuss how it was received."

Referring to the breach threat, he said: "Some misunderstanding arose over a slight criticism I made of her paintings."

"While I think highly of her art, I told her that she should have a business man to sell her paintings and I agreed to help her in this

direction. I have already been working in collaboration with her to write her memoirs."

Mrs. Patterson nodded her agreement—"Captain Dobinson has been very kind to me," she said, "and I hope we can settle the whole business amicably. He knows so much about my Italy and speaks fluently the Venetian dialect which I love to hear."

"ALL I HAVE"

She told of the parties she once gave at her house in St. John's Wood, and that she was now trying to regain wealth and fame through her paintings.

"They are all I have left," she cried, sweeping her arms round the studio, which was full of her canvases. "I cannot get anybody to buy them to-day and I am practically living in poverty with my dog and cats."

"Beatrice Lillie, Alice Delysia, Richard Tauber, and scores of other famous people have painted for me. Now..."

She met Capt. Patterson in Milan in 1921. They fell in love, and an alien she was forbidden to enter England, but she followed him in a French fishing smack dressed as a sailor.

She was sent to prison and then escorted to a boat to leave the country. Capt. Patterson followed and took her to Paris, where they were married.

Looked Through Window, Saw Mail Being Rifled

POLICE looked through the window of a house in Gough-road, Edgbaston, recently and, later at Birmingham said they saw a stolen mail bag being rifled.

Three men and two women were charged with stealing and receiving a mail bag.

John Thomas Dale, of Gough-road, Edgbaston, and Martin Henry Bayliss, of Wiseman-terrace, Edgbaston,

who had been employed as temporary mail van drivers during Christmas, were remanded charged with stealing the bag and its contents.

Frederick John Collinson, Edna Weldon, aged twenty-two, and Florence Richards, aged nineteen, all of Gough-road, were remanded on a charge of receiving.

Inspector Oates said he saw Collinson cutting the string of a number of parcels. Weldon was burning the wrappings and Richards was holding a blue dress which had apparently been in one of the parcels.

Women Of India Regain Position

Although history told us that women in India occupied a very high position in the ancient days, they had only started regaining that position within the last two or three decades after a long period of deterioration, said Miss Flora Knight, the new Activities Secretary of the Y.W.C.A., Singapore, in a talk on "Women at the Singapore Y.W.C.A."

The meeting, organised by the Lotus Club, was presided over by Mrs. S. A. H. Shirazee, president of the Club.

Miss Knight said that Mahatma Gandhi in his message to the recent conference of women in India had stated that on the women of India depended the freedom of the country. She also referred to a recent utterance of Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, the Indian poetess where she said that women should be dynamic and creative, and not merely imitative.

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The home should be the main centre of women's activity because from that developed communities and nations.

She laid particular emphasis on the fact that women in India devoted great attention to social work, particularly among poor villagers. She impressed on the Indian women in Malaya the outstanding need for such work among the labourers in Malaya.



Pupils of the George Goncharov in the recent ballet presentation at the School of Dance as they appeared in the King's Theatre.

'Unknown' Woman Buys Canute Relic

MR. WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST'S collection of silver from St. Donat's, his castle in Wales, was sold in four hours for £41,882 at Christie's, London, recently.

The most exciting moment of the four hours was when an ox's horn, sparsely decorated with tarnished silver, was held up. At once there was a buzz of talk among the 300 men present.

The relic is the Pussey Horn, given to William Pussey by King Canute, Danish ruler in England in 1017.

Pussey, an officer of Canute's army, disguised himself as a shepherd and spied on the Saxons. He discovered a plan to ambush the king, and saved his life.

The horn was kept in the Pussey family until 1935, when it was sold to Mr. Hearst for £1,900.

The recent bidding opened at £800, rose in £20 jumps to £1,000, and then by £50 bids to £1,900. This figure was reached in two minutes.

At this price the horn was knocked down to Mr. J. Francis Mallet, who said he was acting for a woman who is keeping her name secret. She is giving the relic to the Victoria and Albert Museum.

Instinct Told Her

"WE were supposed to be married on October 5, but I had a sort of presentiment," said Miss Florence Flint recently at Marylebone Police Court when she alleged that thirty-nine-year-old Walter Evans took her savings of more than £240 and disappeared on the eve of their wedding in order to marry somebody else.

Evans, it was said, took a room at Miss Flint's house in Primrose-road, S.W., and after a few days proposed to her and was accepted.

He suggested that they should take a small restaurant together. She withdrew her savings of more than £300 and handed the money to Evans to put into a joint account.

Out of the money Evans bought her a wedding ring and himself a watch. On October 4 he disappeared.

Evans pleaded guilty, and was sent for trial at the Old Bailey.

Killed Warming Her Hands

HOW a "wonderful mother," despite the precautions she took, lost her child in a bedroom fire was told at an inquest at Barnet, Hertfordshire, recently.

The child was Joan Mary Gilson, aged, 7, of Lime-cottages, Green-street, Shenley.

Evidence was given that her night-dress blazed up while she was warming her hands by the bedroom fire.

Mrs. May Gilson, her mother, said the grate was fitted with a big heavy fireguard which she thought was perfectly safe.

Police - Constable Pearce, the coroner's officer, said the fireguard was of the type used in schools and he considered it most effective. Mrs. Gilson, who had ten children, was described by all her acquaintances as a wonderful mother.

The coroner, Mr. T. Ottaway, said the tragedy might have been caused by a spark coming through the guard. He felt very sorry for Mrs. Gilson, who was obviously a mother who had taken great care of her children.

Guitrys Still Play Love Scene

PARIS. ALTHOUGH Jacqueline Delubac, a twenty-eight-year-old actress, has filed papers for divorce from her fifty-three-year-old actor husband Sacha Guitry, she still performs a love scene with him on the stage of a Paris theatre every night. The play, written by Sacha Guitry, is called "A Crazy World."

Sacha Guitry said: "Jacqueline and I are comedians. So what difference does it make if we play a love scene?"

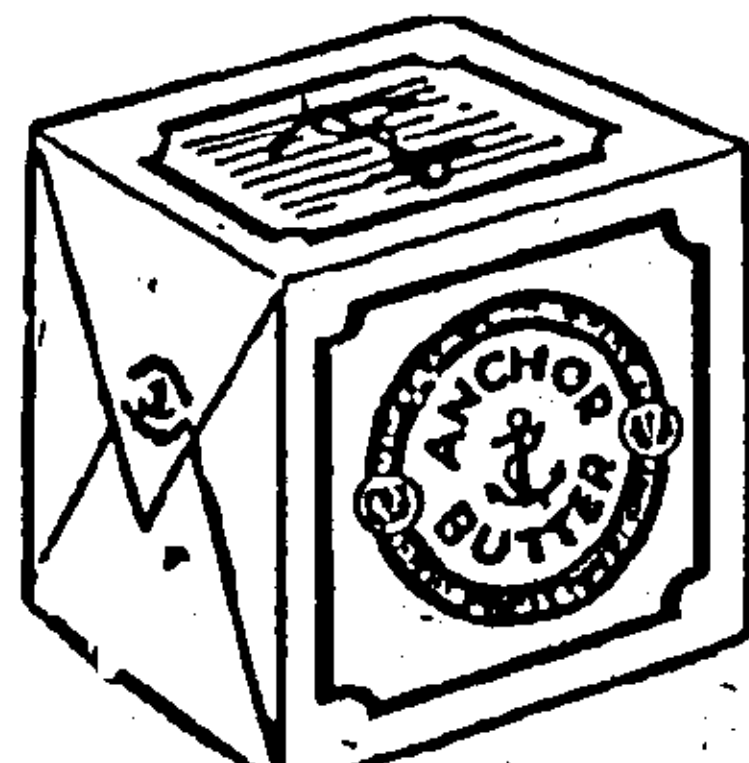
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AIR DEVELOPMENT IN
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New Zealand. Mr. F. Jones, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, announces that the Cabinet has approved the provision of additional base facilities for the Trans-Tasman air service at Hobsonville.

The work will be begun immediately. It will include a repairs shop and administrative and meteorological buildings.

The Harbour Board is providing a landing-stage and pontoon.

AUSTRALIA

WIRELESS DISPUTE SETTLED

Sydney. The dispute between the Postmaster-General, Mr. Cameron, and the Socialist-owned commercial broadcasting station 2KY in Sydney, has been settled.

The controllers of the station have undertaken to publish in the Socialist newspaper an apology for suggestions that one member of the Federal Ministry was controlled by a foreign organisation and that Mr. Cameron censored telegrams going to Port Kembla, where the wharf labourers have for some weeks refused to load iron ore for Japan.

Air Merger Plan.—Federal Ministers are unofficially discussing a plan for closer merging of the interests of Australian internal air lines under a single controlling company like Imperial Airways. The object is closer co-operation with overseas air lines and elimination of wasteful competition by more economical use of aircraft.

A Premier's Daughter Engaged.—The engagement is announced at Melbourne of Miss Elwyn Margaret Dunstan, daughter of Mr. A. A. Dunstan, Premier of Victoria, and Mr. J. H. Chinner, Rhodes scholar from Victoria for 1939.—Reuter.

SOUTH AFRICA

NATIVE WELFARE REFORMS

Cape Town. Far-reaching plans are under consideration for widening the sphere of activities of the Department of Native Affairs. It is proposed to centralise the native welfare activities at present distributed among various Government departments under the one department.

Mr. D. L. Smit, Secretary for Native Affairs, told the Native Representative Council that the Government intended to introduce legislation abolishing the issuing by traders of credit tokens to native mine workers.

He described as "a public scandal" the practice whereby traders were allowed to let natives mortgage their entire wages.

INDIA

TIGER KILLS MORE THAN 40 PEOPLE

Calcutta. A man-eating tiger which has been terrorising the Nowgong district for two years was the subject of a question in the Assam Legislative Assembly by Mr. P. W. Blennerhassett, of the European Group. He asked the Government if it was aware that the animal had killed more than 40 persons.

He added that a man and a girl had recently been fatally mauled on a tea garden within two minutes' walk of the Forest Ranger's office. The latter had not attempted to follow up the beast, nor had the Government done more than offer £2 reward for his destruction.

Mr. Bardoloi, the Premier, said he would have inquiries made.

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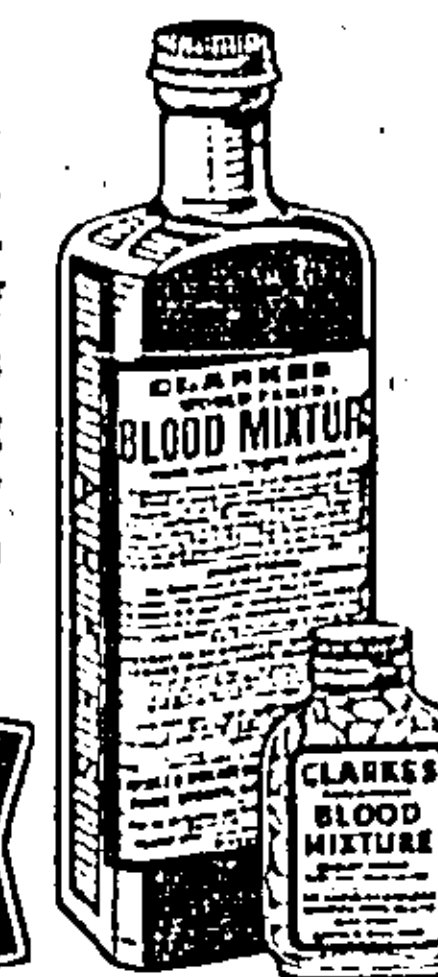
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H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS
 H.K. Banks, £.....1,400 b. & a.
 H.K. Banks Lon. £.....84 n.
 Chartered £.....94 n.
 Mercantile, A. & B. £.....27 1/2 n.
 Mercantile, C. £.....13 n.
 East Asia £.....68 n.

INSURANCES
 Canton £.....215 sa.
 Union £.....400 b. & a.
 China Underwriters cl. £.....170 n.
 H.K. Fire £.....45 b.

SHIPPING
 Douglas £.....65 n.
 Steamships £.....15 n.
 Indo-China, P. £.....60 n.
 Indo-China, D. £.....24 n.
 Shell Bearer £.....32 1/2 n.
 Waterboats £.....9 n.

DOCKERS ETC.
 Wharves £.....115 b.
 Docks (old) £.....17.25 sa.
 Docks (new) £.....16.25 b.
 Providents (old) £.....6.10 n.
 Providents (new) £.....5.80 n.
 New Eng. Sh. £.....5.60 n.
 Sh. Docks, Sh. £.....100 n.

MINING
 Kallan £.....10/0 n.
 Real £.....9 n.
 Venz Goldfield £.....3 n.
 Hongkong Mines cl. £.....5 n.
 Antamols £.....43 1/2 sa.
 Aloks £.....34 1/2 sa.
 Bagulo Gold £.....20 sa.
 Benguet Con. £.....15.60 sa.
 Coco Grove £.....47 sa.
 Con Mines £.....20.25 sa.
 Demonstration £.....21 1/2 sa.
 I.X.L. £.....67 sa.
 Gumatus £.....17 sa.
 San Mauricio £.....17 sa.
 Suyoe Consul £.....23 sa.
 Paracides £.....67 sa.

LANDS
 Hotels £.....0.00 b.
 Lands £.....36 1/4 b.
 Lands 4 1/2 deb. £.....107 1/4 n.
 Shai Lands Sh. £.....8.60 n.
 Aloks £.....34 1/2 sa.
 Humphreys £.....8 1/2 n.
 H.K. Realities £.....5.50 n.
 Chinese Estates £.....97 b.

UTILITIES
 Trams £.....17.40 sa.
 Peak Trams (old) £.....8 n.
 Peak Trams (new) £.....4 n.
 Star Ferries £.....71 sa.
 Y. Ferries (old) £.....22 1/2 n.
 Y. Ferries (new) £.....22 n.
 China Lights, (old) £.....8.30 n.
 China Light (new) £.....5 1/2 b.
 H.K. Electric £.....58 b.
 Macao Electric £.....17 1/2 n.
 Sandakan Light £.....10 n.
 Telephones (old) £.....23 b.
 Telephones (new) £.....17 1/2 n.
 Traction s/- £.....22/0 n.
 Traction (Prof.) s/- £.....22/0 n.

INDUSTRIAL
 Cold: Macg. (ord.), Sh. £.....14 n.
 Cold: Macg. (Pre.), Sh. £.....13 n.
 Canton Ices £.....170 n.
 Cements £.....16.75 b.
 Ropes £.....4 b.

STORES, &c.
 Dairy Farms £.....23 1/4 n.
 Watsons £.....7 1/4 sa.
 Lane Crawfords £.....8 n.
 Sincere £.....13 n.
 Wing On (H.K.) £.....37 b.
 Powell, Ltd. cl. £.....90 n.

COTTON MILLS
 Ewo Sh. £.....16.20 n.
 Shai Cotton Sh. £.....101 n.
 Zong Sings, Sh. £.....24 n.
 Wing On Textiles, Sh. £.....42 b.

MISC.
 H.K. Entertainments £.....7 b.
 Constructions £.....18 n.
 Vibro Piling £.....60 n.
 Ch. Govt. 5 1/2 % £.....92 b.
 Ch. Bonds £.....92 b.
 H.K. Govt. 4 1/2 % Loan £.....6 1/2 p.m. n.
 H.K. Govt. 3 1/2 % £.....par n.
 Maramans (Lon.) s/- £.....2/7 b.
 Maramans (H.K.) s/- £.....2/7 b.

SPAAT ATTACKED

Brussels, Feb. 2.
 A group of demonstrators, mostly ex-servicemen, attacked Dr. Spaak as he came home in a Brussels suburb to-day.
 They held up his car as he was driving home, and as he stepped from the car, they attacked him, and injured his forehead.—Reuter.

THE "TELEGRAPH" will send a Staff Photographer to all events of public interest. Requests should be addressed to the Pictorial Editor.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 16th, February, 1939, at 12 NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st. December, 1938.
 The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, 4th. February to THURSDAY, 16th. February, both days inclusive.
 JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.
 Hongkong, 24th. January, 1939.

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Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the 24th. February, 1939, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st. December, 1938.
 The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 17th. February, 1939, to Friday, the 24th. February, 1939, both days inclusive.
 By order of the Board of Directors,
 C. M. MANNERS, Secretary.
 Hongkong, 30th. January, 1939.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

T.T. London £.....1s. 2 1/2
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 T.T. Singapore £.....105 1/2
 T.T. Japan £.....82 1/2
 T.T. India £.....28 1/2
 T.T. U.S.A. £.....28 1/2
 T.T. Manila £.....57 1/2
 T.T. Batavia £.....53 1/2
 T.T. Bangkok £.....103 1/2
 T.T. Saigon £.....10.90
 T.T. France £.....71 1/2
 T.T. Germany £.....127 1/2
 T.T. Switzerland £.....127 1/2
 T.T. Australia £.....1/0 1/2

BUYING

4 m/s L/c London £.....1/3 1/4
 4 m/s D/p do. £.....1/3.3/32
 4 m/s L/c U.S.A. £.....20 1/2
 4 m/s France £.....11.30
 30 d/s India £.....84 1/2
 U.S. Cross rate in Lon. £.....4.67 1/2

Export Credits For China

London, Feb. 2.
 Replying to the debate in the House of Commons to-day on the Export Guarantees Bill, Mr. R. A. Hudson said that if there were demands for railway and other equipment for China, he thought a transaction of the order and magnitude he had in mind would require terms of credit so lengthy, as hardly to fall within the purview of the Bill.

If it were decided to do something of that nature, the House might be sure that a special Bill would be brought in.

Mr. Hudson added that there were grave objections from the international viewpoint to publishing the amount allotted to each country.—Reuter.

White House Talks On Arms Needs

Washington, Feb. 2.
 At the request of Representative Taylor, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, President Roosevelt held a conference at the White House to-day on the arms needs.

Representative Louis Johnson and members of the appropriations subcommittee attended, and one official expressed the opinion that the meeting would not be as comprehensive as last Tuesday's secret gathering of the Senate Military Affairs Committee.—Reuter.

London, Feb. 2.
 The Chancellor of the Exchequer has received £25 from an ex-serviceman in gratitude for Mr. Chamberlain's efforts for peace.—British Wireless.

H.M.S. Medway with eight submarines, will leave for a southern cruise including Singapore, on February 8.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 6th day of February, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kennedy Street, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.
 Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.
 PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Reg. No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	No. 552	Adjoining Inland Lot No. 550, Kennedy Street.	N. 100 feet E. 100 feet S. 100 feet W. 100 feet	40,000	\$40	\$10,000
2	No. 553	Adjoining Inland Lot No. 551, Kennedy Street.	N. 100 feet E. 100 feet S. 100 feet W. 100 feet	40,000	\$40	\$10,000

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2	No. 555	Adjoining Inland Lot No. 553, Kennedy Street.	N. 100 feet E. 100 feet S. 100 feet W. 100 feet	40,000	\$40	\$10,000

Wang Leaving Hanoi For European Tour

It is confirmed from usually well-informed Chinese circles that Wang Chung-wei, former vice-president of the Kuomintang who was expelled from the party in consequence of his peace move at the end of last year, will shortly leave Hanoi for Europe. The passport for which Wang recently applied to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, has already been issued from Chungking. It is learned that he will sail directly to France from Hanoi, where he has been staying since his secret departure from Chungking on December 18 last year. He will be accompanied by his wife and Tsang Chung-ming.

With confirmation of Wang's intention to leave for Europe, the Japanese reports to the effect that the former Kuomintang leader will join the puppet government in Nanking are dispelled.

Exchange Control In Shantung

Peiping, Feb. 2.
 Exchange control is functioning in Chefoo as from yesterday on Japanese naval orders that export permits will only be granted if export bills are sold through the Yokohama Specie Bank branch, which is only accepting them at the artificial rate of 1/24 per dollar.
 Shippers are refusing to export, and their coastal vessels are sailing from Chefoo without cargo.—Reuter.

British Envoy Welcomed Visit To Tientsin Excites Chinese

CHUNGKING, Feb. 3.

SIR ARCHIBALD KERR, CLARK KERR, the British Ambassador to China, has been accorded a hearty welcome by the Chinese people in Tientsin since his arrival there.

During the past two days, according to a Tientsin message received here, a large number of letters have been sent to the British envoy by the Chinese people, paying respects and declaring that they are loyal to the National Government and will support the present war of resistance to the bitter end.

Sir Archibald had an interview with the British Consul-General, Mr. J. B. Affleck, on Jan. 1, during which the latter reported the situation of the British Consulate in Tientsin.

The British Envoy is expected to visit the Race Course, where he will obtain a view of Hsin Hsing Road, a new road built by the Japanese to encircle the British Consulate.

He will proceed to-morrow to Peiping where he will stay for five days. Then he will go to Tangshan to inspect the Kailan Mining Administration. Afterwards, he will return to Shanghai via Chinwangtao.

Since the arrival of the British Envoy in Tientsin, the Japanese there have tightened their restrictive measures against the British and French Consulates.

They have closed the East Station of the Peiping-Liaoning Railway, which is adjacent to the two foreign areas, and all passengers travelling on this railway have to use the Hopei New Station.—Central News.

China Coast Mariner Dies In Hospital

The death occurred in Kowloon Hospital this morning of Captain Thomas Balfour Robertson, formerly skipper of the Kalam, which sank off the Fujian coast last week.

Captain Robertson, who has been an employee of Williamsons for the last eight years, was 55 years of age. He had been ill for about a week. He was well-known up and down the China coast, and was regarded as an exemplary officer.

His leaves a widow, who is in Tasmania.

The funeral will take place this afternoon, entering the Stubbs Road gate at 5.30 p.m.

Lost Wallet, So Jumped into Harbour

Apparently upset at the loss of his wallet containing \$53, it is alleged that Chung Tai-chung, of Kowloon City, yesterday left the tram on which he was travelling behind Des Voeux Road Central and Leighton Hill, and threw himself into the harbour in an attempt to commit suicide.

He was rescued.

Chung was on his way to the police station to report his loss. The wallet was apparently stolen from him while he was on the tram.

AIR MAIL DELAYED

United Kingdom mails scheduled to arrive to-morrow will not get here until Monday at the earliest, according to the local office of Imperial Airways.

The delay has been caused "somewhere over the Mediterranean." It is probable that the Australian mail will be brought in on schedule to-morrow.

The Delphinus left with outward mail to-day and one passenger, Mr. A. G. Langston.

Grampus Released From Quarantine

H.M.S. Grampus has been released from quarantine and her crew have returned on board after an absence of over three weeks.

A case of infantile paralysis and one suspected case occurred early last month and both officers and men were segregated for the incubation of the disease.

The Grampus will join the Medway later in her southern cruise.

TOKYO SEISMOGRAPH FOR CHILE

TOKYO, Feb. 3.
 The Foreign Office has decided to contribute to the Meteorological Observatory of Santiago, Chile, a seismometer or seismograph designed by Dr. Imamura, President of the Japan Seismographical Society.

It is understood that the Chilean authorities applied for the presentation through the Japanese Legation in Santiago following the recent disastrous earthquake in that country.—Domei.

"Reuter" says that the Japanese fund for Chilean earthquake victims now exceeds £23,000.

Mr. C. Y. Kwan, well-known Hongkong collector of No. 10 Homuntin Avenue, has reported to the police that a thief last night stole money and clothing to the value of \$770 when the marauder forced his way into Mr. Kwan's house.

PRESIDENT IN UNASSAILABLE POSITION IN U.S.

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ances was by a former Republican President, Mr. Herbert Hoover, who, while condemning the secrecy to which President Roosevelt pledged the Senate Committee, President Hoover admitted that there would be one thing that would almost certainly involve the United States in a war that would have the support of all the people.

"If British or French cities are bombed from the air, and there is mass slaughter of women and children, America would not stand by," he declared.

Senator Pittman says: "To refuse to permit the democrats to prepare their defenses would be to aid the totalitarianism."

DEMOCRATS STAND FIRM

Washington, Feb. 2.
 It is ascertained that protests against the Administration secrecy as to the extent and nature of American commitments to sell war material to France and Britain have so far not enlisted the support of a numerically large group of Senators, and there are no signs that they will.

Criticism of President Roosevelt, which, in some quarters is very sharp, is confined mostly to the Republicans and Democrats already at odds with the Administration.

There are some indications that the secrecy issue will be disposed of very quickly to-morrow when the Senate Military Affairs Committee considers the motion by Senator Bennett Clark that the details of the plan to sell planes to France should be made public.

Some critics are alleging that President Roosevelt is focusing public interests on foreign affairs in order to divert attention from the unsatisfactory conditions in America.

One or two Senators even go so far as to express the opinion that President Roosevelt is using the aid of the democrats' policy as an avenue for a third term as President.

PRESS CRITICISM

New York, Feb. 2.
 The secrecy surrounding the foreign policy of the United States is generally deplored in press comments on President Roosevelt's reported statement.

The "Herald-Tribune" says that while President Roosevelt's foreign policies have been as admirable as they are bold, nevertheless, when the issue is as grave as peace and war in the balance, the right for the people to be informed seems paramount.

The "Chicago Tribune" says that the White House has become an imperial palace. President Roosevelt is acting as if he were absolute ruler of a people who have nothing to say about their own destiny, and who could be sold into war as lightly as if they were 18th century Hessians.

The "Washington Post" declares that the Administration's efforts to facilitate the sale of planes to France is a possible factor in the slight relaxation of tension noted in Europe.—peace.—Reuter.

REPUBLICANS ACT

Washington, Feb. 2.
 Nine Republican members of the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee to-day issued a statement in which they "deplore and protest against the un-neutral actions of the secret methods of the President in connection with the sale of aeroplanes to France."

There is no objection against the sale of aeroplanes to a nation to which the United States is diplomatically related, "but we insist that such un-neutral acts entangle us in foreign conflicts, and endanger the peace of America."

They appealed to the President to present the facts to the American people who "irrespective of party, are being committed to a war programme through secret diplomacy."

The statement urged the President to uphold traditional foreign policy of neutrality, non-intervention, and peace.—Reuter.

NO DANGER OF WAR

Washington, Feb. 2.

The United States is not in danger of entering a foreign war under this administration, said Mr. Harold Ickes, commenting on Mr. Herbert Hoover's speech last night.—Reuter.

ALFONSO CONGRATULATES INSURGENTS

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Government, claiming to be the only legal authority in Spain, whereupon, at the demand of the owner, she was placed "under arrest" in a British port.

The judgment of the House of Lords is important since, following the previous decision of the Court of Appeal, it expressly recognises the insurgent Government as the Government of a sovereign, independent State.—Trans-Ocean.

DEMONSTRATIONS IN NEW YORK

New York, Feb. 2.
 Between 10,000 and 12,000 people demonstrated last night in front of the Italian consulate in Fifth Avenue, demanding the repeal of the Spanish embargo.

The demonstration tied up traffic despite the efforts of 200 police.

Parade permits had been issued for 3,000 only, and the authorities indicated that the police had been instructed to handle the crowd gently.

No casualties were reported although pictures in the morning papers indicated the frequent use of night-sticks.—United Press.

SILS OCCUPIED
 Burgos, Feb. 2.
 General Franco's legionary of mixed corps, advancing on Gerona, to-day occupied Sils, 12 miles from its objective, thus gaining a firm footing in the Gerona province.—Reuter Special.

POST OFFICE.

MAIL FOR CANTON
 Registered and ordinary mail (not insured or parcels) will be accepted for Canton and despatched as circumstances permit.

MAIL LETTERS
 Ordinary letter mail only for West Kwantung, Kwangsi, Szechwan, Kweichow and Hunan will be accepted at senders' risk.

VIA SIBERIA ROUTE
 Letters and Postcards for Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES
 Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Japan	February 3.
Shanghai	February 3.
Fort Bayard	February 3.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Fort Bayard	February 3.
Japan and Shanghai	February 3.
Bangkok and Swatow	February 3.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 13th January)	February 3.
Shanghai and Swatow	February 4.
Shanghai and Swatow	February 4.
Japan and Shanghai	February 5.
Shanghai, Amoy and Swatow	February 5.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 28th January	February 6.
Holhow	February 6.
Straita	February 6.
Manila	February 7.
Japan and Shanghai	February 7.
Saigon	February 8.
Haiphong	February 8.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 1st February	February 8.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 1st February	February 8.
Japan	February 8.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. date, 21st Jan.)	February 9.
Japan	February 9.
Japan and Shanghai	February 9.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Fort Bayard, Holhow and Haiphong	Fri., Feb. 3, Noon.
Mombasa, Beira, Lourenco-Marques, and (Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban)	Fri., Feb. 3, 2.30 p.m.
Brindisi—due Brindisi, 24th Feb.	Fri., Feb. 3, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Fri., Feb. 3, 7 p.m.
Japan	Fri., Feb. 3, 7 p.m.
Straita, Ceylon, India, East and West Indies, Aden, Egypt, Malin, and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 3rd March	G. P. O. and K. P. O. Feb. 3, 5 p.m.
Parcels, Reg.	Feb. 4, 6.45 a.m.
Ord.	Feb. 4, 10.30 a.m.

Saturday

Swatow, Foochow and Tientsin	Yunnan	Mon., Feb. 6, 10.30 a.m.
Air Mail for "Air France Service"—	Felix Roussel	Mon., Feb. 6, 10.30 a.m.
due Marseilles, 19th February.	G.P.O. and K.F.O.	
	Reg.	Feb. 6, 2.30 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 6, 3 p.m.
Salon	Felix Roussel	Mon., Feb. 6, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., Feb. 6, 3.30 p.m.
Direct Service"—due London,	K.F.O.	Mon., Feb. 6, 3.30 p.m.
13th February	Reg.	Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 6, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 6, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Aus-	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., Feb. 6, 7 p.m.
tralia by "Imperial Airways Direct	K.F.O.	Mon., Feb. 6, 7 p.m.
Service"—due Sydney, 13th Feb.	Reg.	Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 6, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	Feb. 6, 5 p.m.

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DEFENCE ORGANISATION Shadow Scheme Protects Civilians

LONDON, Feb. 2.
A COMPREHENSIVE SCHEME for the organisation of civil defence, involving the provisional appointment of regional political governors, is announced by Sir John Anderson.

The plan is practically complete and will exist in shadow form in peacetime, ready to operate immediately in an emergency.

A Regional Commissioner, "a man of national understanding, capable of undertaking the great responsibility" will be appointed in each of ten British regions, and one each for Wales and Scotland.

In the event of a region becoming shut off from the centre of Government, the Commissioners will exercise the full authority of the Government.

There will be an effective link between the civil and military authorities, and the powers of the Commissioners will not extend to military matters.

The scheme also provided devolution of the A.R.P. organisation by the creation of 30 regional officers to enable treatment of local problems on the spot, and to lessen the need for appeal to the central department.

The Regional Commissioners will be provided with a war staff, consisting of A.R.P. regional officers and representatives of all Government departments concerned with civil defence, like health, transport, and food.

The Commissioners in peacetime will maintain frequent contact with representatives of all the relevant Government departments. This, in effect, amounts to peace-time meetings of the war staff.

The degree of control exercised by the Commissioners in war-time would vary according to the extent to which communications were affected, but in case of need, the region will function as self-contained.—*Reuter*.

DEFENCE PROGRESS

LONDON, Feb. 2.
The Prime Minister, in a statement in the House of Commons to-day said that the Re-Armament Advisory Panel of business men had reported that the service departments supported by the Treasury were rapidly accomplishing a most difficult task of great complexity with efficiency, foresight and extent, in some cases establishing practically new industries in the country.

The panel felt that the magnitude of the effort being made was altogether insufficiently realised by the country as a whole and the results hitherto obtained could not have been achieved without the whole-hearted co-operation of industry operating on a peace-time basis.

The panel felt that on the evidence submitted to them that most of the gaps in the defence equipment of the country had been, or were being filled as rapidly as possible.

Further A.R.P. progress was revealed in answers to other questions.

Mr. Walter Elliott announced that plans had been made to provide for about 200,000 beds in existing hospitals within 24 hours of an emergency. Another 100,000 could be found later by using the auxiliary parts of the hospitals not at present used as wards.

Sir John Anderson, dealing with fire-fighting apparatus stated that hitherto 3,500 appliances, including trailer pumps and self-propelled units had been delivered, and, since the September crisis, no large order had been placed as part of the measures to accelerate production.—*Reuter*.

SAFE DIET FOR GASTRIC ULCERS

Great care is needed in the feeding of sufferers from gastric and duodenal ulcers and inflammation of the stomach. The wrong kind of food will increase the pain and discomfort. In the early stages of treatment small quantities of liquid food must be taken at frequent intervals.

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TWO GIRLS JOIN JUNK ADVENTURE

Voyage Across The Pacific To U.S.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 2.
TWO GOOD-LOOKING Russian girls, who were formerly cocktail bar hostesses, Luba Schennikoff aged 23, and Olga Alkane, aged 22, are accompanying a crew of eight men on a round-the-world Chinese junk trip aboard the "Adventure," which left for Manila yesterday morning.

The junk is the one which started from Shanghai on December 30, but which was forced to return when pirates riddled the drinking water tank with bullets.

The crew is practically the same, consisting of Captain Rakich, a Czechoslovakian, Leo Tomashevsky, a Russian-French policeman and former Shanghai sprinting champion, Leo Rudchenko, another Russian-French policeman and former 440 yards running champion, Dialekoff, Vinokuroff, and Komar, Russians, Dault a Latvian, and Kireeff, a Tartar.

The "Adventure" is going first to Manila, and thence expects to sail to the Celebes, Java, Dutch East Indies, and ports en route to New Zealand, from where the junk will go across to San Francisco. It also plans to go through the Panama, homeward bound via the Mediterranean. It is expected that the trip will last 18 months.—*United Press*.

Insurgents Continue Advance

Burgos, Feb. 2.
Insurgent troops to-day occupied Berga in the valley of Llobregat.

Loyalist troops are reported to be retreating further on all fronts in the direction of the French frontier.

A detailed statement regarding the capture of Berga says that the Insurgents advanced on Thursday morning in two columns on the town, completely surrounding the Loyalist garrison, which soon ceased to offer further resistance.

The occupation of Berga brings the Insurgent troops in this sector to within 35 miles of the French frontier at Puigcerda.

It is further announced that the Maestrazgo army corps has advanced a considerable distance beyond Vielha and has captured the villages of Seva, Turich, and Rudeperas, thus enveloping the Mont Seny mountain range in which the Loyalist artillery is entrenched.—*Trans-Ocean*.

Personnel Of China Govt. Unaltered

Chungking, Feb. 2.
Reliable political circles do not expect many changes in Government personnel after the Kuomintang fifth plenary session.

Rumours mentioning Dr. Wang Wen-hao, at present Minister of Economics to be transferred to the head of the Ministry of Education, and of the transfer of Wu Ting-chung, at present Governor of Kweichow, to be Minister of Economics, are discounted in well-informed circles.—*United Press*.

Congress Approves Relief Vote

Washington, Feb. 2.
Congress to-day finally approved of the \$25,000,000 relief appropriation to carry on the Works Progress Administration's programme until June 30.

The Bill has been sent to the White House for signature.—*Reuter*.

STIRRING DEFENCE OF JEWS

Hitler Impeached In World Appeal

GENEVA, Feb. 2.
THE TEXT OF A statement issued by the headquarters of the World Jew Congress was issued to-night, and is as follows:

"In view of the outrageous attacks against the world of Jewry made by the Chancellor of the Reich in his last speech, it is our duty to make it known to the governments and public opinion in civilised nations, the profound indignation felt by millions of Jews represented by the World Jew Congress.

"The head of the German Government not only insults our unfortunate Jews in Germany, whose lives are made intolerable by high regime, who are prevented from praying in their synagogues or even from seeking an asylum elsewhere, is not content to ridicule nations who are endeavouring to help the victims of Nazi persecution; who does not confine himself to threatening millions of Jews with complete extermination, but is trying to stir up all the nations of the world against them.

"The Chancellor of the Reich even affirms that it is not Germany which threatens the peace of the world, but that it is the Jews who want war.

"We repudiate firmly, and with horror, this outrageous accusation, coming from a man whose notorious book 'Mein Kampf' vindicates the necessity of war, which alone, according to him, is capable of realising the aims of his policy.

THREAT OF EXTERMINATION

"We desire to recall to the world that the countries which, in September last, in their lust for conquest, brought the world to within an ace of a most dreadful catastrophe, and who, by so-called 'national' aspirations, recently created a new and extremely dangerous crisis.

"It is in just those countries where the Jews exert no influence whatever, and where the Jews do not even possess elementary rights.

"If the Jews have been eliminated from national life, this is precisely because their religion, their mentality, their sentiments and their traditions are opposed to every enterprise of aggression and violence, and to every act contrary to the laws of humanity and solidarity between men."—*United Press*.

Noise Aplenty To-day

Island Forts To "Go Into Action"

GUNNERY FIRE will be audible throughout the Colony to-day, when defences on the Island of Victoria will be extensively tested by the military authorities.

Firing practice seawards will be carried out from 9 o'clock this morning until 6 o'clock this evening, although, of course, it will not be of a continuous nature.

The firing will commence from Devil's Peak Fort and Fort Collins. Later the guns at Fort Stanley and Fort Davis, the two new forts on the southern side of the island, will be brought into action.

West Fort and Stonecutters Island will also fire during the course of the day.

Aid For China Not Pressure On Japan

Tokyo, Feb. 2.
Mr. Arita, Foreign Minister, stated to-day that it is too much to assume that economic pressure against Japan has been precipitatedly increased.

He said that British and American assistance to Chiang Kai-shek was directed against Japan.

The Foreign Minister reiterated that Japan does not intend to close the open door to Third Powers. He said the establishment of a new order was to enable all people to assume their proper place.—*United Press*.

Japan's Navy Ready For All Emergencies

Tokyo, Feb. 2.
The Navy Minister, Admiral Yonai, stated to-day that the Japanese navy's readiness to cope with any emergency arising in the Pacific was "all inclusive." This statement was made after an interpellator had asked whether there were sufficient supplies to deal with any crisis.—*United Press*.

BRITONS MUST HAVE JAPANESE PASSPORTS!

SHANGHAI, Feb. 2.
THE "TRANS-OCEAN" representative at Hankow reports that the Japanese Consulate there has notified all foreign consulates that as from Sunday next, all foreigners in Hankow must carry passports issued by the Japanese authorities.

These must be shown when passing Japanese sentries posted at the entrances to the various districts.

Hitherto this has been demanded only of Chinese nationals.—*Trans-Ocean*.

KING ACTS IN CRISIS IN BELGIUM

BRUSSELS, Feb. 2.
KING LEOPOLD'S intervention in certain questions of home policy in the course of the Cabinet Council meeting held here to-day was stressed in a communique issued later by Premier Spaak.

The communique states that the King dwelt on the necessity firstly, of precision in matters of economic policy, secondly, of adaptation of budget to the financial resources of the country, and thirdly, of the development of social legislation.

The King also discussed the question of constitutional guarantees, and emphasised the principle of separation of executive and legislative powers, and insisted that administrative reforms should be carried out without further delay.

Informal quarters add that the King expressed the earnest desire that the constantly increasing friction between the parties in Parliament should be diminished in the interests of the nation.—*Trans-Ocean*.

TURBULENT SESSION

An attack on Premier Spaak, says a "Trans-Ocean" message, occurred after a turbulent session in the Chamber of Deputies, during which Premier Spaak was violently attacked by the opposition during a debate on a plan submitted by the Walloon Socialist, M. Truffaut, recommending the conversion of Belgium into a federal State, and the establishment of administrative regions for the Flemish and Walloon regions.

The protest was supported by the Flemish Nationalists, and finally rejected by 111 votes to 62, after violent scenes.

Demonstrators assailed M. Spaak, when he returned home to confer with the presidents of the Croix De Feu and the Belgian ex-servicemen's organisations, had previously attempted to force their way into the Government quarter in the central part of the city, which, however, they were guarded by strong cordons of police.

The demonstrators showed by their cries that they included Nationalists as well as Left-Wing extremists and others, as some shouted "Long Live King Albert," and others "Long Live The Republic."

Dispersal of the demonstrators led to clashes during which several were arrested and taken into custody.

Premier Spaak, who was rescued by policemen stationed outside his residence, which was later guarded by a strong detachment of steel-helmeted gendarmes, armed with rifles, fortunately suffered only minor injuries.—*Trans-Ocean*.

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VETERAN TO RAISE STANDARD

Ma Chan-shan To Fight Japanese

CHUNGKING, Feb. 2.
A RELIABLE MILITARY source stated to-day that General Ma Chan-shan, who, shortly after the Mukden Incident in 1931 resisted the Japanese advance toward North Manchuria at Ronni River, is going back to Manchuria to fight the Japanese.

This informant said that General Ma Chan-shan was at present commander of a "stiff advance army," which is fighting the Japanese in western Suiyuan, and his men are Manchurian native cavalry.

It is remembered that General Ma, after his Ronni battles surrendered to the Japanese outwardly, and the Japanese appointed him Minister of War in Manchukuo.

TRICKED JAPANESE

General Ma, after swallowing up a huge sum of Japanese money, and huge quantities of Japanese equipment, turned his guns against the Japanese in 1932 and fought a guerrilla war in North China until he was hard-pressed over the Manchurian border, when he entered Soviet territory.

He was sent to Central Asia and his men were sent back to China through Sinkiang, but he himself, with other commanders of the Manchuria guerrillas, returned to China after a trip through Europe.

Since his return in 1933, General Ma Chan-shan has been honoured by being given a position as a member of the National Military Affairs Council, of which Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is the President.

In the meantime, he never gave up his efforts to fight the Japanese, and his cavalry forces, under the title of a "stiff advance army" are fighting the Japanese in western Suiyuan, checking the threatened Japanese advance from Paochow to Ninghsiao.—*United Press*.

Paris Prepares For Air Raids

Paris, Feb. 2.
A decree regulating French air raid defence has been passed by the Government. The regulations include enrolling of volunteers for air raid precautions work. Enrolment will last for a year and public servants may be requisitioned if necessary.—*Reuter*.

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12.30 Rawicz and Landauer (Two Pianos) and Mavis Bennett (Soprano).

Schubert Time (arr. Rawicz and Landauer); Waltz Memories From Vienna (arr. Rawicz and Landauer); Piano Duets by Rawicz and Landauer; Down Vauxhall Way (Olive).

Mavis Bennett (Soprano) with piano accompaniment by Gerald Moore; Chopin's (arr. Rawicz and Landauer); Liszt In Rhythm (arr. Rawicz and Landauer); Piano Solos by Rawicz and Landauer; The Doll's Song (Tales of Hoffmann—Offenbach); Wine, Women and Song (Strauss); Mavis Bennett (Soprano) with Orchestra; Faust—Waltz Variations (Gounod—arr. Rawicz and Landauer); Carmen Selection (Bizet—arr. Rawicz and Landauer); Piano Duet by Rawicz and Landauer.

1.00 Time and Weather.

1.03 Beethoven—Symphony No. 1 In C Major, Op. 21.
The B. B. C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Arturo Toscanini.

1.30 Time, Weather and Announcements.

1.40 The Casani Club Orchestra with Leslie Hutchinson and Frances Day.

Life Begins When You're In Love (The Music Goes Round; The Feller That Played The Planner; Comedy Waltz; Casani Club Orchestra directed by Charlie Kunz; Show Me The Way To Romance (film 'Temptation'); What Is This Thing? (film 'Temptation'); Frances Day (Soprano) with Orchestra; Me And My Dog (film 'Public Nuisance No. 1'); Frances Day (Soprano) with Orchestra; Someone To Care For Me—Fox-Trot (film 'Three Smart Girls'); Harbour Lights—Fox-Trot; Casani Club Orchestra directed by Charlie Kunz; Hutch Medley; Intro: My heart stood still; Let's fall in Love; What is this thing called Love? The wind in the willows with a song in my heart; That's Love; etc. Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

(a) To-night we love; (b) Sloppy You're breakin' my heart; (c) Star Dust; (d) Lullaby in Rhythm.

6.14 Record: The Scene Changes (Billy Hill); Hildegarde with Fritz (Hart and Blich); Hildegarde (Vocal) at the Piano.

6.21 (a) Change Partners; (b) Mama's Gone Good-bye; (c) Where in the world; (d) Rhythm Mad.

6.35 Records: Free (film 'O-Kay For Sound'); Night Must Fall (film 'The Tenth Man'); The Squirrel Nucleon at the Organ; The Squirrel Nucleon (Smith); Rudy Starita (Xylophone) with Piano, Accordion and Saxophone.

6.44 (a) You and Me; (b) Old Apple Tree; (c) My Own; (d) Rhythm Excursion.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Variety with Leslie Henson, The Hodiars, Lesli James, June Knight and Jack Jackson and His Orchestra.

Piano—Old Fashioned Love—Quickstep; If We Never Meet Again—Slow Fox-Trot; Gerry Moore in Strict Dance Tempo; Vocal—My heart Will Be Dancing (film 'The Lilac Domino'); Lilac Domino—Waltz Song (from 'The Lilac Domino'); June Knight (Soprano) with Orchestra and Male Chorus; Dance Orchestra—Sailing Home With The Tide—Waltz; In A Little English Inn—Fox-Trot; Jack Jackson and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Harmonica Duet—Italian Favourites (arr. Hodiars); The Hodiars; Dance Orchestra—Gypsy Violin—Fox-Trot; Some Other Time—Fox-Trot; Jack Jackson and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Comedians—Life Begins Again (Flanagan); Where The Arches Used To Be (Flanagan-Nichols); Flanagan and Allen with Orchestra; Piano—Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. 4; Intro: With Plenty of Money and You; Let's Put our Heads Together; Moonlight and Shadow etc.; Charlie Kunz with Rhythm Accompaniment; Humorous Sketch—The German Commissionaire Scene (from 'Seeing Stars'); Leslie Henson and Fred Emney; Cinema Organ—Wedding Of The Painted Doll (film 'Broadway Melody'); Medley Of Old Songs; Leslie James playing on the Organ of the Regent Cinema, Stamford Hill, London; Dance Orchestra—Love's Just (from 'Sloppy'); Valparaiso—Rumba (film 'Dance Band'); Jack Jackson and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain;

3.00 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 London Relay—'Under Big Ben'.

A talk by Howard Marshall.

8.15 Studio—Jazz Piano Recital by Hal Lorenzo.

1. A-Tisket-A-Tasket; 2. Medley; (a) Serenade to the Stars; (b) Whispering; (c) Love walked in; 3. (a) Rosta-Tango; (b) Cherie—Waltz; (c) Tears in my heart—Tango-Fox-Trot; 4. (a) Says my Heart; (b) You're a Sweetheart; (c) I've got that Polish Feeling; 5. Medley; (a) C Major Follies; (b) When I Grow too Old to Dream; (c) My Kingdom for a Kiss; 6. China Boy.

8.35 The Duncan Sisters.

Adam and Eve (Duncan Sisters—Grannat); Ti-Pi-Tin (Levee-Graver) Sweet Onion Time in Bermuda (Duncan Sisters—Ceslow) ... accompanied by two pianos.

8.45 Harold Ramsay at the Organ.

Rode March (Ramsay); Six Great Melodies; Intro: Londonderry Air; Cherry Ripe; Annie Laurie; Black Eyes; Lorelei; O Sole Mio; Popular Melodies; Intro: Alone at a table for two; Alone; I'm all alone; You started me dreaming; The touch of your lips; Lost.

9.00 London Relay—Food For Thought.

Three short talks on matters of topical interest.

9.20 Next week's Programme.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Gershwin—An American in Paris and 'Rhapsody in Blue'.

An American in Paris; New Light Symphony Orchestra; George Gershwin; Rhapsody in Blue. Boston Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler with J. M. Sanroma at the Piano.

10.20 London Relay—'Empire Variety Theatre'.

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11.00 Close Down.

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son, aged 55 years, late of S.S.
"Kainipol." Funeral will pass
Stubbs Road Gate at 5.30 p.m.
this afternoon.The
Hongkong Telegraph.

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February 3, 1939

A Real Axis

THE MOMENTOUS news that
President Roosevelt has
pledged American support to
democracy in the case of a war
with the Totalitarian countries
should have a sobering in-
fluence upon those who favour
the use of force in international
affairs.It is quite understandable
that America should announce
her policy, for as a great de-
mocracy, she naturally feels it
her duty to do all in her power
to assist other democratic coun-
tries which may be threatened.The freedom of the subject
is the very corner-stone of de-
mocratic principles, and any
movement which threatens to
challenge that freedom must be
vigorously opposed.The wave of nationalism,
which has swept through Ger-
many and Italy has created a
danger which cannot be over-
looked. Nationalism in itself is
an admirable quality, but when
it becomes so revolutionary in
nature as to constitute a men-
ace to others, the others may
rightly be expected to take
every possible safeguard in the
interest of self-preservation.If Germany considers that
she has been singled out as the
main threat to democracy, she
has only herself to blame. The
public utterances made by her
masters have had anything but
a soothing effect on the rest of
the world, and it naturally
follows that when danger is
supposed to exist, it is only
logical and sensible that those
likely to be affected should or-
ganise united action for resis-
tance.The United States will do
everything possible to keep out
of war, and rightly so. Ameri-
can Statesmen have followed
events in Europe with some
apprehension, and there can be
no doubt that from the Presi-
dent downwards, they are fully
aware of the policies which are
at the root of the trouble in
Europe to-day.At the moment, the American
support must have tremendous
moral effect, for by aligning the
United States with Great Britain
and France, the rest of the world
is told in no uncertain manner
that the greatest combination
of power ever known is to be
marshalled as the force to
guide the hot-headed to the
path of universal Peace.MAN—
or Men?

BY WILL SCOTT

Shakespeare, Henry
VIII, Cromwell, Lloyd
George—definitely
themselves.IN all the muddle of to-day
few people seem to be quite
clear as to where mankind
is supposed to be heading,
although plenty will tell you
that mankind is heading, and
pretty rapidly. It would be a
bit easier if we knew what man-
kind is for. Then we might
know if it's heading right or
wrong.It's easy with sheep and such.
A sheep is meant to be a sheep—
mutton and overcoats. When a
sheep has become a good fat sheep
it's got as far as it can go. It never
tries to be anything more than a
good fat sheep.A racehorse is meant to be a
racehorse and nothing but. When
it has won the Derby it's done all
you can expect of it. But with
men you never know. They go off
in all directions.One will suddenly get up one
morning and design St. Paul's
Cathedral. Another will discover
the South Pole. A third will add
up another man's figures and get
bread and butter for doing it. A
fourth will dive into the Serpen-
tine every day, summer and win-
ter.Some, even, sit in barrels and let
people peep at them for a penny.
It's a pity more don't. I won't
mention any names. In the old
days the idea was to be differ-
ent. You developed yourself,
or tried to. If your neighbour
did one thing you did another.
That was the root of the wholeHOWEVER. Away in
the dim past Individ-
ualism used to be en-
couraged. If a man
stood on his head in a
pond nobody tried to
steal his thunder. They
gave him the credit. They told
their children and their children's
children, generation after genera-
tion, about the Man Who Stood on
his Head in the Pond. He became
a legend.To-day if a man stood on his
head in a pond you'd have half
the Western Hemisphere at it by
to-morrow morning. "Coming in,
old man? But you must. Every-
body's doing it."Crowds of them. All standing on
their heads in ponds. Not a bad
idea either, perhaps, if you give it
careful thought.Discovering America was a job
for one man four hundred years
ago. Discovering places like Frig-
ton is a job for half Mayfair now.
A one-man discovery would be a
wash-out. A one-man anything.
"Everybody's doing it..." That's
the modern idea.The old system turned out people
like Shakespeare and Henry the
Eighth and Whistler and Guy
Fawkes and Hall Caine and Ab-
raham Lincoln and Napoleon and
Queen Elizabeth and Charles Peace
and Dr. Johnson. Good, bad and
the other sort, but definitely them-
selves.The new system, as I see it, is
out to put a stop to all that. I
don't know if it knows it, but that
is all the present system is for.Behind the clashing ideas and
the clashing nations of this age,
behind all the strife and the
dozens of -isms, I firmly believe
there is that one fundamental
thing carrying all the other
troubles on its back: the question,
is the human race to become in the
end Men, different, individuals,
like men on a chess-board, or Man,
a mass, uniform, one like the rest,
like men on a draught-board?I do firmly believe that there is
down underneath most of the up-
per lip.Old School
Ties..

by Spike Hughes

EVERY six months or so I
wake up in the morning in a
cold sweat to find comparative
paradise in a world that demands
no more of me than that I should
pay my income-tax.I was by no means miserable at
school. I was a damn nuisance to
everybody, but I had a lot of fun.
One thing is certain, however: I
have never pretended to anyone
that my school days were The
Happiest Days of My Life.What had psychology that tag
is, anyway, suggestive to children
that they will never be happier
than when they are struggling
with cube roots and irregular
verbs.Last week I was invited by the Old
Boys' Society of my school as guest
at their annual dinner. I accepted will-
ingly. With the exception of my com-
panion—who drove down to Cambridge
with me—I had seen few of my school-
fellows during the past eleven years.It might have been a grim and
dreary experience. It turned out to
be enjoyable, amusing and slightly bizarre.
To begin with, I suddenly found
myself back among people who, in spite
of the "Daily Herald" and the radio,
still thought of me as "Patrick" in-
stead of "Spike".The very mention of radio gave me a
shock, anyway. When I had last seen
these young men who were at dinner,
the "Wireless" had meant nothing
more than the Morse code.Yet here they were, fifteen years
after, talking glibly about "Monday at
Seven" and asking me if I'd met Mr.
Ogilvie.The oddest moments of all were the
first moments of reunion. Faces seemed
vaguely familiar; a name would be
mentioned and after that it was easy.There was young Reggie. He is
younger than I and even thinner on
top; he was smoking a cigarette, speak-
ing in a deep bass voice. It was diffi-
cult to remember him as my right
centre when I had played on the wing
and we had knocked hell out of a boy
who later got a cap for Wales.A hearty, military-looking fellow
came up to me. He has a fair mous-
tache now and is in the Territorials. He
reminded me of his name. But all I
could remember on hearing it was the
picture of a very small child indeed
winning cups for diving against all
comers.I went on like this for a long time.
A name, a face and they produced the
strongest associations: the angle of a
school cap, the shape of a bicycle,
a younger brother who'd put his rifle
through my drum on Field Day.
I could see nobody as a composite
character, but only as a provider of
incidents which for some reason had
stayed in my memory.

"What are you doing now?" The

question brought strange answers
with it.John, for instance. He is a stock-
broker; he went into the job before he
realised how deadly it could be. Now
he can't get out. But in his spare time
he runs in hotel in Bloomsbury for
young down and out.Alfred is a Don. He leads a secluded
life with his wine and his Greek
epigrams. Francis works at television,
which he reached by way of Hollywood,
a repertory company in Santa Barbara,
Cal., and building a French chateau for
a millionaire in Reno.I liked less some of the answers I
got to the inevitable "What's hap-
pened to...?"One child I remembered had been
killed flitting with the International
Brigade in Spain; another had been
killed in a car smash in Ader; yet
another had shot himself in Gibraltar
—he was a handsome, charming boy
too, who surely needn't have worried
over a love affair.There were other tragedies as well,
some noble, some oddly sordid.
As the evening went on there was
a strange melancholy about most of
us. No sighing for Good Old Days,
but the stark realisation that the
school, which was founded in 1016, had
somehow served its purpose.We began to realise that if they had
not been The Happiest Days of our
Life, at least our schooldays had been
more intelligently supervised than
most.Our headmaster, the languages
master, the English master had
brought to education not only what is
called the Direct Method of teaching
classics and languages, but something
immensely personal which had made
our school unique.On yes, we produced our Blues and
our Rugger internationals, but above
all we produced boys who were good
democrats, who loved the English lan-
guage, to whom the plays of Shake-
peare, Burdette and Mollere were liv-
ing experiences, to whom being edu-
cated was (the English have the only
word for it) Fun.We were melancholy because, from
all accounts, none of this tradition has
remained. Three great educationalists
have retired: "The Old Man" to his
farm, the languages master to his bowls
at Granchester, the English master to
his memories of our enjoying Shake-
peare in a theatre instead of reciting
him in a classroom.I was asked to make a speech, but
I refused. When I was there we had
Serbia, Frenchmen, Belgians, In-
dians, Burmese, Chinese, Japanese,
Americans, Jews from Syria and Spain,
two boys from Vladivostok and one
from Siam.If I had spoken, I would have said
that in that school of ours, though we
were only children, we were bound by
three great old school ties: tolerance,
equality and justice.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"I suppose you'd rather I'd let that truck-driver intimidate me!"

SHOT EMBARRASSES
HUNTERNILES, O.
A hunter shot at a rabbit he saw
peering over the edge of a pig's
box and rushed to pick up his game.
He found only a rabbit's head—
which jokester friends had placed on
the boxes.SHARKS ATTACK
WHALEDURBAN, South Africa.
While playing on the beach near
here school children saw a battle be-
tween a huge whale and several
sharks only 100 yards from the shore.
Attacked from all sides, the whale
was torn to pieces.

SLEEPING BEAUTY

Goncharoff School Of Dance Ballet

Creditable juvenile dancing talent was revealed at the King's Theatre yesterday when the George Goncharoff School of Dance presented "The Sleeping Beauty" and very polished items were given by advanced pupils in a following programme.

The ballet, it is interesting to note, also played at the Vic-Wells in London yesterday, having been revived there for the first time since Diaghilev's great failure at the Alhambra in 1921. Additionally interesting was the fact that Margot Fonteyn, in the title role at the Vic-Wells, studied under Goncharoff at Shanghai some years ago.

Pat Pasco and Zena Mansell were introduced into the Hongkong cast for the more difficult parts of the Good Fairy and the Wicked Fairy respectively, but otherwise the youngsters carried all the honour themselves.

The first scene opened with fairies entering "at the rise of the curtain"—synchronisation with a little music throughout—telling the Princess of her birthday and wish her luck. The Wicked Fairy forecast the Princess would prick her finger and die and the Good Fairy reduced this harsh prophecy to a hundred-year sleep.

The first two scenes show the little fairies sleeping around the very upset at things, but dominated by the Good Fairy, who very gracefully keeps the action of the ballet to time. The Wicked Fairy made very realistic play with her mimicry and little Laureen Clemo, the Princess, made a pathetic victim of her wiles.

Wakened From Sleep
In the third scene Prince Charm-ling, Corallie Wolfe, makes an appearance which wakens the Princess from her sleep, and then the ballet proper commences with some neat group dances to celebrate the wedding of the happy couple.

The little fairies followed the intricate movements round the stage very well considering the small space available, and the climax was provided by duet and solo dances by the Prince and Princess.

Laureen Clemo was very much on her toes and went gracefully round the stage without a tremor. Her Prince went into a spirited step which called for good balance and rhythm. The duet was done in a style well in advance of the performers' youth and received well-merited applause. Finally, peasants, flower girls and fairies joined in a gallop which concluded the ballet.

The costumes, which were made by Mrs. Clemo, deserve a word of praise and the scenery, though not elaborate, served the occasion well. Tchaikovsky's music in this ballet is well known for its beauty and the Royal Scots orchestra gave it full credit under the baton of Mr. H. B. Jordan.

Though the much restricted version given yesterday could not attempt to give an idea of the wonderful spectacle of the original, it educated the pupils who took part into an appreciation of group dancing and posing and gratified the parents and friends by the clever synopsis of what is actually a very long story.

The two little principals were inclined to be a little first, but they gained confidence with applause and did not make a mistake in their very strenuous solo parts.

Attractive Divertissement
The divertissement proved to be a collection of very attractive items commencing with a comedy duet by Hazel Slater and Betty Lee. A merry piece of fooling by the last-named did not detract from the well-timed dance she and her partner did, but the briskness of it left Betty little breath to sing "Happy Ending," with which the piece concluded.

"Tango Jalousie" was very slow, polished and graceful with two new established artists Ellen Ford and Peter Randolph on the boards. Some quick turns were neatly executed and the steps were faultless, ending in the centre of the stage with a dramatic Latin flourish.

Zena Mansell then gave a dainty variation from the ballet "Sylphid," using her wrists as effectively as she did her toes. This classical number has some awkward turns but Zena took them perfectly at her ease and received a great ovation.

An acrobatic waltz was given by Winifred Raven. Perfect timing was essential in this slow dance in which a back and forward somersault from standing was the main feature. Good orchestration helped to make it a success.

No dance programme would be complete without a Russian dance and yesterday's was capably rendered by Larisa Tzar in full costume. Perhaps the steps involved have been more sinuous and snappy but the general effect was, nevertheless, very pleasing.

The most modern note of the evening was struck in "March" by Prokofiev, when Ellen Ford, Peggy Scotcher and Peter Randolph were together in Roman costume. Dramatic posing and precision with suitable climax deservedly earned the enthusiasm of the audience, Randolph being particularly in the spirit of the music.

Confident Artists
Little Zena Mansell held the house for a full 10 minutes with a song "Snow White" in which sustained applause glossed over her broken notes, if that had been necessary, but the very confident little artist proceeded to sing her song with a clever dance, and then gave "Copy Cat" as a musical encore.

Betty Lee was the personality in "Seven Dwarfs" but her companions in the various stages of somnolence and pluck of the now-famous characters, ably backed her up.

A Polka Trio headed by John Andrews was a light number which was

all too brief and then Pat Pasco presented Hungarian Dance No. 6, by Brahms, which was really outstanding. Pat had the atmosphere of this pretty music in her feet, her hands and her face and she got languor as well as the dash out of a piece which proved her exceptional ability.

The most difficult interpretation of the evening fell to Peggy Scotcher and Peter Randolph in Rachmaninoff's "Elegie." This was essentially slow and staid and demanded exact balance, but though the dance was a trifle fast, the result fully justified its place in the programme.

A lambourne dance was given by a quartette in quick time and was well done that it seemed a pity so little space could be given to it when such pains had been taken to bring it to perfection.

Clare Van Wylick was easily top of her class in the Pas Classique—an intricate toe dance which had varied steps but which she did with an exactitude and ease which showed a thorough training.

A fast and merry duet "Taran-tella" by Yvonne Shaw and Hazel Merriman bore the same stamp of long practice and the appearance of these two girls was too brief to satisfy the audience.

The grand finale, was another ballet scene, this time from "Tales from the Vienna Woods" by Strauss in which the principal pupils of the school all took part. The group dances took place before a pedestal on which Pat Pasco and Peter Randolph were posed and these two weaved their way through trios dancing in turn and then simultaneously across the stage—G. W. G.

The Programme

"The Sleeping Beauty"
King: Barbara Histed
Queen: Laureen Clemo
Prince: Corallie Wolfe
Wicked Fairy: Pat Pasco
Good Fairy: Zena Mansell
Nurse: Hazel Slater
Duke: Peter Randolph
Duchess: Betty Lee
Flower Girls: Ellen Ford, Susan Steel-Pecking, Susan Bader, Berna Donovan, Mimi Chu.
Peasants: Cynthia Baldwin, Sheila Smece, Doreen Hegarty, Molly Terry.
Review: Ann Jeffries, Sheila Waterson, Pippa Portillon, Margaret Kurrie, Maria Louisa Leito, Maura Patey, Pat James.
Peasant: Yvonne Shaw, Hazel Merriman, Peggy Steed, Joan Andrews, Constance Robertson, Joan Thomson, June Pauline Brown, Clare Bader, Gloria Grant, Isabel Spoon, Shandee Shagen, Pamela Taylor, Janet Hargreaves, Carolyn Hopkinson.
Happy Ending: comedy duet, Hazel Slater and Betty Lee.
Tango: Laureen, Ellen Ford and Peter Randolph.

Variation from Ballet "Sylphid": Zena Mansell.
Acrobatic Waltz: Winifred Raven.
Russian Dance: Larisa Tzar.
March (Prokofiev): Ellen Ford, Peggy Scotcher, Peter Randolph.
Snow White: June Mansell.
Royal Cooks: Betty Lee, Doreen Chu, Robert, Joan Thomson, Tina Wen, Shirley Farquar, Fanny Chan.
Polka: Joan Andrews, Constance Robertson, Joan Thomson, Cynthia Baldwin, Hungarian Dance No. 6 (Brahms), Pat Pasco.
Elegie (Rachmaninoff): Peggy Scotcher, Peter Randolph.
Sylphid: Zena Mansell, Rosemary Arndt, Sheila Boulton, Rosemary Arndt, Joan Kanis, Pat Jones, Molly Terry, Sheila Smece, Cynthia Baldwin, Doreen Hegarty, Maura Patey.
Tartan Ribbon Dance: Ellen Ford, Fath McNeill, Angela Court, Valerie Orwin, Pat Claude, Clare Van Wylick.
Taran-tella: Yvonne Shaw, Hazel Merriman.

Tales From The Vienna Woods (Strauss): Pat Pasco, Peter Randolph, Ellen Ford, Zena Mansell, Betty Lee, Laureen Clemo, Corallie Wolfe, Louisa Tzar, Clara Tzar, Peter Stenham, Winifred Raven, Peter Randolph.
The piano, Nora Kanis, Sidney Walkden.

The proceeds were devoted to the Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children.

BARTER PLAN FAILS

German Agency Here To Be Liquidated

London, Feb. 2.

Chinese in London have no confirmation of the impending liquidation of the German Government Agency "Hipro" formed in Hongkong, barter for the Chinese Government's wood oil, wolfram and other ores to the extent of £100,000,000, but they say that such liquidation is inevitable.

While it is believed that China has obtained some consignments of arms and munitions under the barter agreement, the Chinese say it proved anything but satisfactory to them. They allege that German payments consisted of large consignments of pocket knives and other mass produced articles which Germany was unable to sell elsewhere and useless in China.

Regarding the allegation that the barter agreement enabled China to keep up prices in the open market, the Chinese point out there is no need therefore since wool is wholly and wolfram largely exclusive Chinese products, the demand for which is worldwide, irrespective of any German agreement.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?
muchid, squarable, mountbank, squandamnia, mountaneer, squandamnia, English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.

HIGHWAY HOLD-UP

Indians And Portuguese Charged With Crime

Alleged to have robbed Yau Tin-sang of \$8 on the hillside at Ngau Chi Wan, Kowloon City, on January 10, two Indians, Abdul Rashid, 21, and Abdul Caramat, 20, and a Portuguese, Carlos Xavier da Cruz, 32, of Shanghai, appeared before Mr. E. H. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday in answer to a charge of highway robbery. The case is for a committal.

Inspector A. E. Carey prosecuted, and said that complainant paid a visit to his brother who lived in an unnumbered hut in Ngau Chi Wan, and stayed in the house till 3.15 p.m. the following day, when he left with \$8 in notes and small change. The money was given to Yau by his brother, who requested that the money be handed to their mother.

Yau set out for Kowloon City, intending to walk. When he reached a path near the Customs Pass Road, the three defendants stopped him and second defendant explained in the Punjabi dialect that they wished to search him. First defendant then proceeded to search Yau who objected. He was seized by his collar, and they walked for about 500 yards along the path. Yau was then told to sit down by first defendant, who attempted to take Yau's money. Complainant resisted, and first defendant struck him, injuring his ribs. Yau then submitted to the search, and \$8 was taken away from him.

Complainant asked the defendants to let him have 60 cents for his fare to Kowloon. He was given this sum and sent away. Meanwhile, Yau noticed the three defendants going in the direction of Ngau Chi Wan Road.

Yau continued on his journey till he met a European near the Kai Tak Aerodrome. He told his story, and the Kowloon City Police Station was informed. The following day, about 9.30 p.m., third defendant was arrested in Wanchai, after he had been pointed out to a Chinese detective by complainant as one of the robbers.

First and second defendants were arrested on January 11 by Sub-Inspector Kellert, in a brothel in Yau-mat.

Identification

At an identification parade, all three were identified by complainant, and also by a bus conductor who in evidence said that they had boarded his bus at Ngau Chi Wan Road.

Corroborative evidence was given by complainant, Yau Tin-sang, and his brother, Yau Ki-look.

Lieutenant Peter Nesbitt Nedd, attached to the Kai Tak Aerodrome, in evidence said that some time after six o'clock on January 10, he met complainant on the pathway that led to the Officers' Mess at Kai Tak. He noticed that Yau looked distressed and was moaning. Yau, on seeing witness, shouted out to him in Chinese, but witness could not understand what he was saying, so took him to the mess, and a Chinese "boy" translated complainant's story. As a result, witness telephoned to the Kowloon City Police Station, and some time after this Yau was taken away.

Mr. F. W. Shaftain, Assistant Director of Criminal Investigation (Crime), said that on January 12 he held an identification parade at the Yau-mat Police Station. The three defendants were included in a group consisting of eight other Indian youths, four of whom had turbans. Complainant picked out first defendant and alleged, "He is the person who picked my pocket." Complainant then picked out second defendant, and said, "This man caught hold of me from behind." He was not sure at the time but now he recognised him as one of the three having travelled on my bus that day.

Corroborative evidence was given by the conductor, Lui Kwong, who recalled that three Indians had travelled on his bus on the day in question. Witness said that second defendant paid the fares. He did not identify third defendant at the identification parade because he was not sure at the time but now he recognised him as one of the three having travelled on my bus that day.

The Arrests
Evidence was then given by Louis Wing, Chinese detective attached to the Kowloon City Police Station, who said that on January 10 he went to Spring Garden Lane with the complainant about 9.30 p.m. Third defendant was pointed out to him by complainant, and he arrested the man.

Sub-Inspector Kellert, Inspector of Women and Girls, said that on January 10 about 6.10 p.m. he raided a brothel in Woon-sung Street. The three defendants were in the place at the time. Witness asked them what they were doing in Hongkong, and all three said they had come to Hongkong from Macao in search of employment. Third defendant, Cruz, said that he was formerly a policeman in Macao, but had left the force because the work was too hard for him. Witness ordered them to leave the brothel, and returned to the Yau-mat Police Station.

Continuing, witness said that while he was in the Yau-mat Station, he read a report of a highway robbery in Customs Pass Road. He returned to the station the next day, and kept the place under observation. On the afternoon of January 11, witness again raided the brothel and arrested first and second defendants and took them to the Station.

Sergeant C. Dowman gave evidence that he charged the three defendants at the Yau-mat Station and took statements from them.

This concluded the case for the prosecution. First and second defendants, asked if they had anything

TUNG WAH HOSPITAL

Financial Position Queried By Hon. Sir Henry Pollock

The question of the financial position of the Tung Wah and allied hospitals was raised in Council yesterday by the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, who, pursuant to notice, asked: "Has the Government any statement to make as to the financial position of the Tung Wah and allied hospitals?"

The Colonial Secretary: The question of increased financial assistance to the Tung Wah and associated hospitals has been under consideration for a considerable time. It came to a head early in 1938 when the Tung Wah Committee approached the Government with a request for a grant to meet the deficit shown on the working for the year 1937, equal to approximately \$150,000. As the result of discussions which followed, certain important steps have been agreed for the improvement of the financial control of the hospitals. In particular it has been agreed that:

(a) The Committee shall prepare and adhere to a proper annual budget, and shall submit annual accounts audited by an auditor approved by the Government.

(b) The annual budget shall be approved by the Permanent Advisory Committee already established.

(c) The medical and charitable work of the hospitals shall be separated. It is intended that separate budgets shall be prepared for each of these two functions, and that the premises used for medical and hospital purposes shall, as far as possible, be separated from those used for the other great charitable works for which the Tung Wah Hospital organisation has for long been well-known, namely the relief of distress, however caused, the care of destitute and aged persons, and the burial of the dead.

Control by Committee
(d) All matters relating to the medical administration of the hospitals will in future be under the control of a Medical Committee appointed by His Excellency the Governor. This committee has already been set up and its membership was announced in the Government Gazette of December, 1938.

It includes the Honourable Director of Medical Services or his deputy (Chairman), two members of the Tung Wah Hospital Advisory Committee, three members of the Board of Directors of the Hospital of Chinese Medicine, and two members of the Tung Wah Dispensaries, and the three Medical Superintendents of the Tung Wah, Tung Wah Eastern and Kwong Wah Hospitals.

(e) Chinese herbal treatment for medical in-patients is for the present to be provided in certain specified wards in each of the hospitals to those who spontaneously ask for it.

(f) Future investments of the Tung Wah funds will be in gilt-edged securities instead of in mortgages and property.

Investigations of the accounts of the hospitals have already been made during 1937 and have fully satisfied the Government of the accuracy of the accounts as submitted and of the satisfactory nature of the system of accounting, subject to certain minor improvements recommended by the Accountants who made the investigations.

Increased Expenditure
A supplementary vote for the grant of an additional sum of \$150,000, the approximate deficit for the year 1937 is being submitted at the meeting of the Finance Committee which follows immediately the meeting of this Council. This deficit was due, (a) to increased expenditure due to attempts to improve the standard of treatment; (b) to the increased number of patients partly as a result of the present hostilities; (c) to reduced income from investments; and (d) to the partial drying up of the flow of subscriptions in favour partly of the claims of war charities.

Under these arrangements the Government has every confidence that the valuable work done in the past for the Chinese community of the Colony by the Tung Wah and associated hospitals will not only continue but will increase in value, and that the existing co-operation between the Directors and the Government will be strengthened without any change in the fundamental characteristic of voluntary institutions supported in the main by private contribution. It is indeed hoped that the assurance of efficient administration which is afforded by the charitable-minded members of the community to continue and increase their support of this worthy foundation.

The Council was adjourned sine die.

LOCAL ESTATES

Local estate sworn under \$33,000 was left by the late Mr. Archibald McDougall, who died in London on November 3, 1938. An application by Mr. W. G. Crabbe, of the Chartered Bank, the lawful attorney, for sealing certified copy of confirmation (nominate) of the executors of the will, has been granted.

The late Mr. Robert Fleming Young, Customs officer who died intestate at the War Memorial Nursing Home on December 24, 1938, left local estate sworn under \$12,000. A petition by the widow, Mrs. Olive Violet Young, for grant of letters of administration of the estate of the deceased, has been granted.

Third defendant said that he wished his wife, who was in court, to give evidence in his behalf. He also wished to call Mr. E. Rocha, whom defendant said was working in Messrs. Wallace Harper and Company, to give evidence on his behalf.

At this stage the Magistrate adjourned the case to 11.30 a.m. to-day, when Mr. Rocha will be called.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

The German Government has disavowed any intention of annexing Samoa or of interfering with the rights of Treaty Powers.

The new "Shire" line steamer "Flinders" attained a speed of close upon 14 knots in her trial trip on the Clyde.

Prado, who was guillotined at Paris the other day, is now stated to have been natural son of General Prado, President of Peru from 1876 to 1879. He once stayed for some time in Hongkong. We wonder if any resident recalls a man who was one of the most atrocious murderers of any age!

25 YEARS AGO

Public spirit is evidently not wanting in Hongkong. Five days ago it was announced that Mr. Ellis Kadorie had generously come forward with an offer of \$15,000, or, if needs be, \$20,000, for the establishment of the Helena Ray Institute for Women, provided a like sum were subscribed within a period of years. In our leading article of Thursday we expressed the belief that this condition could surely be complied with. Our expectations have been handsomely realised—and that within less than a week, too. For it will be seen by our news columns to-day that Mr. Ho Ken-tong has come forward with the magnificent offer of \$15,000, while Mr. Lau Chu-pak has generously subscribed \$2,000.

When there is so much about it in the home papers, it is interesting to have an opportunity of seeing the hotly-discussed "Steps" of the Tango dance in Hongkong. Those who have not yet done so, have yet an opportunity to-night and to-morrow night of visiting the Victoria Theatre and witnessing the performance of the Sisters Collier.

Although performed quite prettily by these two clever sisters, we fail to see how any one can be found to assert that the Tango is unattractive.

Per s.s. Anhui from Shanghai on the 2nd inst.—Capt. Pottinger, Menduwa. Per s.s. P. Ludwig from Yokohama on the 1st inst.—H. H. H. Priestley, Head, Hans Koch, H. Gunther, Didioli, Sir H. W. de Saumarez, Lady Saumarez, E. Birk, D. R. Goldenberg, A. Wolf, W. Dutton, G. F. Berre, Miss M. E. E. Carnacano, Miss N. Encarnacano, Mrs. Altham.

Per s.s. P. Waldemar from Sydney on the 1st inst.—Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Tule, Kom, Mrs. Hanni Schriber, H. F. Scher, Dr. Scholz, H. Meyer, Friedl, Maus, Miss L. Ellis, A. W. Venables, Jous Assumpcion.

10 YEARS AGO

Details of the first high-powered monoplane fighting machine to be built in Britain have just been released by the Air Ministry.

The new air fighter is known as the Westland Whirlwind, and is a biplane. Driven by a single 450 h.p. Rolls-Royce engine, it can maintain a speed of 120 m.p.h. in the level air, and can climb to 10,000 feet in 10 minutes. It carries two machine guns in the fuselage, and a propeller, and in addition has a load of light bombs.

5 YEARS AGO

The word "whisky" is a term for spirits which is peculiar to England and Scotland, and therefore may not be used for similar spirits produced and sold in Germany. This was the decision made known to-day by the Supreme Court thus ending a protracted legal dispute in an action brought by British firms of whisky distillers against a German firm.

The Admiralty have now promulgated an additional scheme "for voluntary retirement" of naval officers. Gratuities are offered.

The following statement on the scheme has been issued: "The Admiralty have issued to the Press a statement explaining that, owing to the excess of senior Lieutenants and Lieutenant-Commandants, and to the fact that a certain number of officers of these ranks that it would not be possible to give them further employment."

As a contribution to the "Safety First" Campaign, the Kowloon Students' Association, in conjunction with the Hongkong Automobile Association, is making suggestions to the Government for more effective street lighting, with a view to eliminating the danger of road accidents at night.

A feature of the suggestions being made is that a new type of illumination, by means of gaseous discharge lamps, should be instituted in place of the present gas-filled filament lamps. Information to this effect was secured by the Telegraph yesterday afternoon, in the course of an interview with Mr. C. E. Terry, President of the K.R.A.

Mr. Terry stated that there has been brought into operation in many parts of England a new method of street-lighting by what are known as gaseous discharge lamps, which have been shown to be not only more effective but also more economical, providing two or three times more light with the same average consumption.

It would, said Mr. Terry, be a great advantage if this system of lighting were introduced into this Colony. Accordingly, it is being suggested to the Government that a start be made with two main thoroughfares, one on the mainland and the other on the island, with subsequent extension to all lighted thoroughfares.

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MR. EU TONG-SEN TRYING HARD TO WIN THE DERBY

HAS SOME GOOD ANIMALS FOR ANNUAL MEET

(By "Captain Foster")

Mr. Eu Tong-sen has been trying very hard for the last few years to annex the Blue Riband, but like many other, unfortunate owners he has not met with success.

The Singapore millionaire has left no stone unturned for the forthcoming annual big meeting and it is interesting to reveal that Mr. Eu is well armed with quantity and quality. From a list of Derby griffins issued by the Hongkong Jockey Club, Mr. Eu is the registered owner of Blue Express, Dayona, English Cavalier, Grey Knight, Morning Glory, Prince Charming, Rose Charming, Rose Elba, Rose Elect, Rose Flana, Rose Louise, Rose Marlan, and Rose Supreme and it will be observed that he has a number of only 14 China ponies. How many of them have been entered for the Hongkong Derby, I have not been able to ascertain; but there is no doubt that the best of his animals is Rose Elect with Blue Express and English Cavalier in the back row. Of course this ranking list is made by the writer under careful observation and I sincerely hope I am not far wrong in my judgment.

It will be recalled that in 1935 his Rose-Queen (Mr. V. Needa) lost the exclusive event by half-a-length to Herod ridden by Mr. W. H. Davis, but in the following year Rosemary (an expensive candidate) went lame at the eleventh hour and in the circumstance the Singapore philanthropist had not a good substitute to represent his silk in the Hongkong Derby. The kept-over griffin, Rosemary, was made a ragging favorite for the 1937 year Rosemary, and the mare gave a disappointing display, finishing fourth. It was generally expected last Spring that Desert Chief, with Mr. Encarnacion in the saddle, was almost a certainty to register his first classic win for Mr. Eu Tong-sen, but the chestnut stallion had to kow-tow to Mr. Eric Moller's Silkylight by three lengths.

A FINE RUN

There was an enthusiastic crowd of racing men at Happy Valley last Saturday watching the performances of the Australian and China ponies over short and long distances, but I was indeed surprised to see a small group of about two dozen students of form turning up on Sunday morning. Those who were present were delighted with the test by Mr. Eu Tong-sen's candidate (Rose Elect) who was asked to show her capability as a runner over the champion jaunt of 1 1/4 miles. There were not many ponies on the course when Rose Elect came to the cinder track and this naturally afforded the rail birds a golden opportunity to follow her gallop with close attention. With Mr. C. Encarnacion in the saddle, Rose Elect took 2:38 1/5 to cover the whole distance and the chestnut mare cantered the last half-a-mile in 1:00 1/5 with 21 1/5 seconds for the last stanza which was not too bad for a greenhorn of this season. It was, I believe, one of the fastest

gallops performed during the early mornings and the merit of the run was that there was plenty in reserve when she touched the cross-line.

Rose Elect belongs to that class of elongated animals with a beautiful long stride and she is certainly the right type of a mover over distance run. Judging by her action there can be no doubt that she is a class racer and her chance therefore for the Blue Riband is very rosy. Blue Express owned by the same owner was sent over the same distance and the circle was run in 2:40 2/5 finishing the last quarter of one furlong in 33 2/5 seconds. English Cavalier, another candidate from the same stable, was two seconds slower than Blue Express's time over the same trip and these two racers, in my opinion, belong to another street.

ARMYLIGHT'S FAILURE

The Russian riding boy was asking too much of Mr. Eric Moller's candidate, owing to the fact that the two aspirants had not been here more than a fortnight. In a trial accompanied by the champion Silkylight, Armylight's performance over 1 1/4 miles proved a failure and the gelding's whole time was 2:52 flat, coming home in 33 seconds dead. Mr. Moller's griffin was undoubtedly out to put up a good show, but he finished very badly; in fact Armylight was "all in." The Australian sub-griffin (Candlelight) led the way for Navylight over the champion course and in this "pew" the trainer was more cautious, with the result that Navylight's finish was impressive. The whole journey was entered in a slow time of 3:01 2/5, but she came down the straight in 28 4/5 seconds for the last two furlongs and the last half-a-mile was 1:01 4/5. She had the better of her stable-mate Candlelight, who was hard pressed to keep up the pace in the home stretch. Of the Ciro's stable, I understand that the mare is aged and we must not overlook this.

Jennifer, the property of Mr. C. B. Brown, should catch the judge's eye for "suares" and "suares" mare has improved considerably. She is compact, but has strong hind-quarters and when she gets going there is something to write home about. Her "try out" last Saturday over the champion course in 2:44 was a creditable performance and the mare finished the last quarter in 31 seconds flat. A note should be kept that the last mile was run in 2:10 4/5.

Hyndford Bridge, accompanied by King's Warden, had a steady canter over the Derby course and no doubt Mr. Needa was just feeling out the pony. However I expect to see some fast work over the week end.

AUSTRALIAN PONIES NOW IN LIMELIGHT

Several Australian ponies of this season's bunch have come forward in the limelight and I was delighted to see the return of Mr. Donald Black, who has just come back from home leave. The laddie is looking hardy and hearty, and we may be sure Wee Donald has not lost his sense of balance and strength of grip. It is reliably learned that he is going to pilot Mr. B. W. Bradbury's string of ponies at the Annual Carnival.

We all know that he has a good pair of hands for the dumb friends from the Antipodes and Mr. Black was out very early on Janber, who was given a good spin and the champion course last Saturday. The chestnut mare took 2:48 4/5 to travel the circuit and the home stretch was covered in 27 3/5 seconds finishing on the bit. The last half-a-mile was negotiated in 68 seconds flat and the mile was journeyed in 2:00 4/5 which was the first decent gallop that the mare had been asked to do. This, however, seemed to confirm the impression, which I mentioned in my notes of January 20, that Janber by Foxton had the makings of a fine galloper and it will not surprise me to see the mare among the first three in the Roosty-Hill Derby.

The star gallop of last week was by Chiltern belonging to Mrs. Eu Tong-sen, who must have found an interesting little jaunt over 1 1/4 miles in 2:31 with Mr. Poy in the saddle. It was the best of this season and it may be worthy of notice that this brown gelding was by Tom McCarthy, who sired Lucky and the winner of the Autumn Champions. The youngster was full of running at the end and Chiltern's last mile was 1:57 2/5 flying home in 20 4/5 seconds.

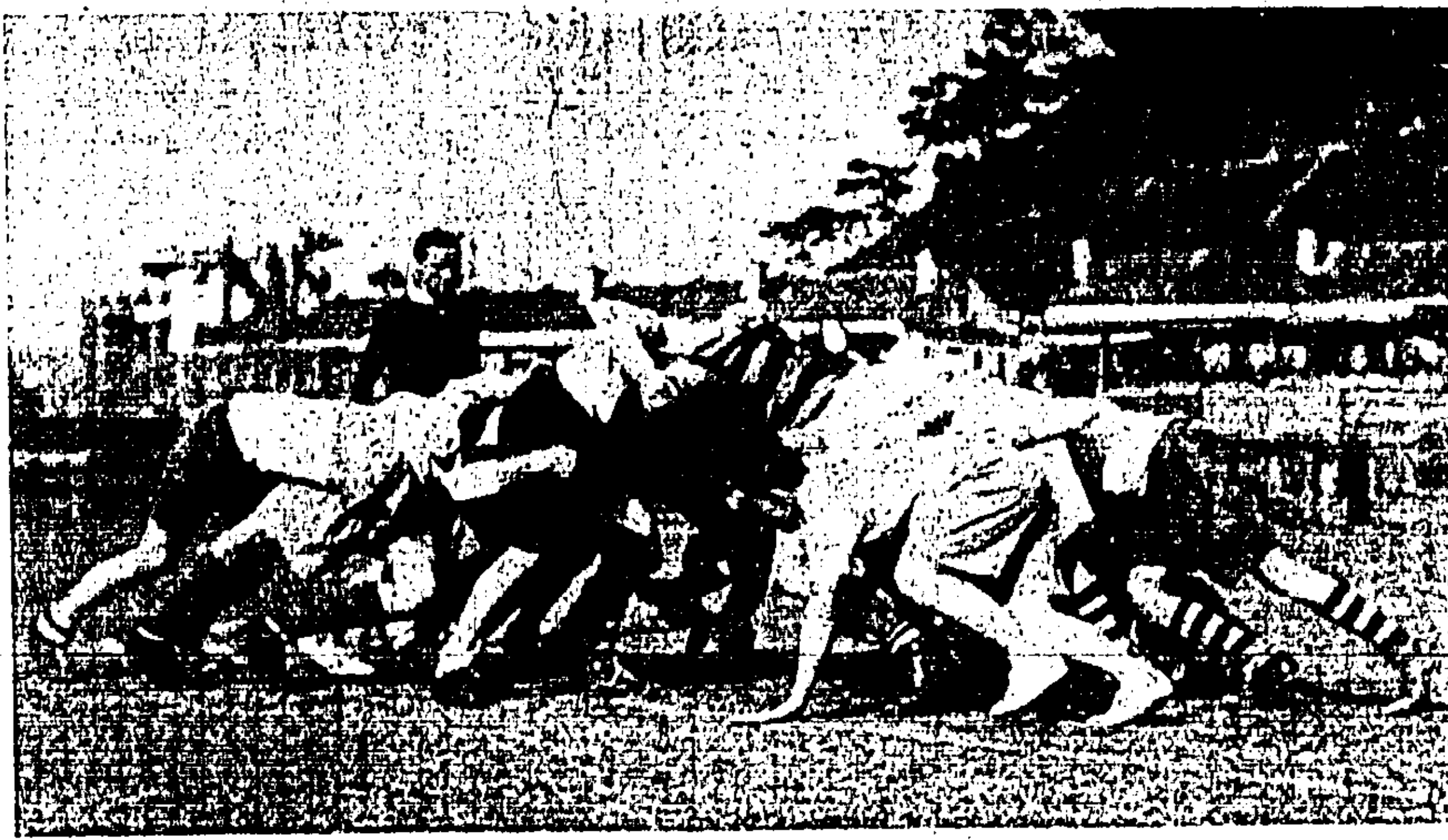
Lady Northcote's Devonian was also sent over the same route, but unfortunately the first quarter of the run was not timed and in the circumstance it is not possible to predict what was the actual time in covering 1 1/4 miles. It must have been pretty fast, for Devonian's last mile was clocked exactly two minutes, the last quarter being 20 3/5 seconds and the last half of the circle was tramped in 68 seconds.

It will be observed that Her Ladyship's pony has improved considerably. It may interest readers to know that Sydney Lad and Loquacious had a match over the champion course and although the time (2:30) appeared in the newspaper for both ponies, the former won by many lengths. Strathfyn and Schmetterling galloped a mile in 2:11 3/5, the former winning by a big margin.

China Ponies Give Trainers A Tough Time

Training among the China ponies subscription griffins of this season is giving, without exception, all the trainers a tough job. Anxiety among the owners to see what their nags can do is another obstacle against the grain and I have not so far seen a sub-griffin with a good finish should the mile gallop be inside 2:25.

The best gallop to date over a mile was done by February Fourth in 2:17, but the home run was 33 seconds flat and the black fellow was ridden by Mr. S. C. Ling. Last Saturday Tiny Tim did a decent canter over the champion course in 2:57 2/5 but the last quarter was no better than 32 1/5 seconds. Port Rush (Mr. B. Proulx) and Sports Venture (Mr. Encarnacion) went together over a mile in 2:24 4/5. Mrs. Taggart's sub being the better racer and he took 32 1/5 seconds for the last two furlongs.



The Malayan rugby players now in Hongkong took their practice on the Club ground yesterday very seriously. Here they are seen getting down to it. The forwards are a hefty bunch and should give their side the advantage in the set scrums and the line-outs.—Staff Photographer.

Here And There With "Abe"

Manila Preparing For Interport With H.K.

TWENTY-EIGHT players have been picked by the Manila Football League to undergo training for the purpose of selecting a side to represent the Philippines in the first Manila-Hongkong Interport to be played in the Colony during the Chinese New Year holidays. The names of the players were announced last week following a meeting of officials of the League. Of the 28 selected, four are goal-keepers, four are full backs, seven half-backs and 13 are forwards. Following the series of try-outs which have been arranged, a team of 16 players will be chosen to make the trip to Hongkong. Coach Dionisio Calvo of the La Salle College has been selected by the officials of the Manila Amateur Football League to head the delegation. An experienced soccer coach, it is confidently expected that Mr. Calvo will be able to get the best out of his men. The team will leave Manila on February 14 and is expected to return on February 27 by the s.s. Blancanero. On the return trip, the Manila players will go to Macao to play one game there. To help Coach Calvo in the selection of the team, a special final selection was chosen, made up of Sr. Sergio Martinez of San Beda, Fr. Honorio Munoz of Letran and G. A. Reedyak of the Yeo Athletic Club. Hongkong players will be interested to learn that among the 28 men selected to undergo training is Alex Boissier, the former Shanghai Interport player, who is now resident in Manila. An extremely clever inside forward, Boissier has a very good chance of being chosen to make the trip.

China To Compete

A United Press message, published yesterday, stated that China was one of 27 countries which have signified the intention of participating in the 1939 Davis Cup Competition. This announcement has come as a surprise to many people who had thought that owing to the present trouble in the country China would not take part in this year's tournament. China will compete in the European Zone, and will probably be represented by Kuo Sin-kie and W. C. Kuo, both of whom are in Europe. While Kuo Sin-kie has definitely made great strides towards reaching the top of the tennis firmament, it is pleasing to note that Choy has also shown considerable improvement in his game. Last year he met with no inconsiderable success in the various provincial tournaments in England. Kuo's greatest achievement to date, of course, was his victory over "Bunny" Austin in the final of the Bournemouth hardcourt championship last year. No better pair of players can China choose to represent her in this international competition.

Filipinos Also In

ANOTHER pleasing feature of the 1939 Davis Cup competition is the inclusion of the Philippines in the North American Zone. The Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation recently approved the recommendation of the P. I. Lawn Tennis

The center of Markman and Patriotic Day over 8 furlongs in 2:30 was a slow performance and this naturally helped the two bar-bards to run home in 31 seconds. The worse gallop of the morning was by Strathfyn over the Derby course in 4:22 registering 30 seconds for the straight and it is wonder whether Popoff (the Russian trainer) was tired or not at the end?

Soccer

WESTHAM WIN IN RE-PLAY

London, Feb. 2. The second replay in the fourth round of the F. A. Cup competition between West Ham and Tottenham resulted in a win for the former, the odd goal in three after extra time. The match was played at Highbury.

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CUNNINGHAM WINS HIS MILE RACE

Boston, Mass., Jan. 28. Glenn Cunningham, the Kansas flash, beat Blaine Ridcut by five yards in the mile run of the Knights of Columbus track and field meet today, turning in a time of 4 minutes, 15.2 seconds. Wayne Ridcut, with a burst of speed in the final 50 yards, finished two feet behind his twin brother.

Allen Tolmich equalled James Allen's indoor record of 5.7 seconds to win the 45-yard hurdles event. Ed Dugger, a Negro from Tufts College, was second.

Ken Clapp of Brown University, equalled the time turned in by Ed Johnson in the national meet last year, 5.4 seconds to win the 50-yard dash. Frank Zeimet of Boston College was second.

Don Lash of Indiana won the two-mile run in 9 minutes, 8.8 seconds, beating Tommy Deekard by eight yards.—United Press.

manufacture excuses for them are willing to admit that it is a pity controversy has raised its head in what once was the calm of South Africa. I heard, most unexpectedly, that Hammond is by no means certain to captain the next M.C.C. side that will tour Australia. The reasons offered as an explanation for this are that except for winning the toss he has not been more than an ordinary leader, and that in indicated cases, such as that of Edrich, he has used his men poorly. The grounds appear to me to be rather unsubstantial, but it is also argued that skilful perping has induced Hammond to give up his bowling, and that in other respects he is not the ideal captain.

Hammond Criticised

THOSE of us who felt that Test matches between England and Australia were the only fixtures that caused trouble had a shock when loud murmurs of discontent began to seep out of South Africa, writes Trevor Wignall in the Sunday Reformer.

Hammond's action in continuing to bat so that he could call for the heavy roller—the assumption being that this might crack up the pitch—and Mitchell's four hours to collect 42 runs were condemned in all the places I visited, and it struck me as singular that the English captain came in for more criticism than the South African batsmen. When cricket was cricket—which was long before the Tests with Australia developed into minor wars—it was considered bad form even to refer to tactics. Many with whom I was acquainted stridently declared that there was no such thing in cricket, but it is to be doubted whether they would make the claim now.

Prohibit Them

I HAVE long regarded Test matches as things that ought to be prohibited, but even those who can

HEIGHT OF FORWARDS AUGURS WELL FOR MALAYAN RUGBY TEAM

Good-Turn Of Speed Should Be Produced By The Wings

(By "Fly-It")

Yesterday afternoon from 2.30 p.m. onwards, the Malayan Interport rugby players put in some practice on the Club ground.

The forwards are a big lot and appear to out-weight their local opponents. Their two second-row men, F. O. McCall and J. F. M. Roualle, are about 6 ft. 4 ins. and 6 ft. 5 ins. respectively, and weigh on the average 15½ st. each. There is a big comparison between these two players and the Club second row, Peers and Walkden.

The all round height of the visiting forwards augurs well for their line-out prospects.

The backs appeared to be very nippy, especially the wings from whom a fine turn of speed is expected.

During the very calm voyage to Hongkong, it is learned, the team kept fit doing physical jerks under the expert supervision of Capt. F. W. Simpson. The change of climate, even though it is warm for a Hongkong winter at present, should act as a tonic for the visitors.

All are keen to meet the local players and are taking things very seriously.

Richardson, London and Harper were the backs to take the eye in yesterday's try-out by their smart acceptance of passes and distribution.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, will be present at to-morrow's game and will meet the players five minutes before the match.

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Schmeling Denies Trouble With The German Government

New York, Feb. 2.

Max Schmeling, the German heavyweight boxer, arrived here today in an attempt to erase the stain of his one-round knock-out by Joe Louis, the present champion.

He denied he had been in trouble with the German Government, and denied reports that he had threatened to "break Goebbels' neck" if the German Propaganda Minister molested his wife, Anny Ondra. He said he last saw Goebbels about six weeks ago at a dinner.

In response to a question as to whether he had been sent to the United States to prove he was not in a concentration camp, he said "If I were in a concentration camp, I would not be here." He said he had planned to confer with Mike Jacobs, the promoter, to-day.

The German boxer says he is willing to fight anybody. "I plan to stay here from eight to 14 days, but longer if a fight is arranged," he would sure like to fight Louis again. "I still think I can beat him," he added.—United Press.

Testimonial Game For Ex-Test Stars

Sydney, Jan. 18. The New South Wales Cricket Association has fixed December 1 to 5 as the date for the Testimonial Match to Australia's ex-test cricketers, W. A. Oldfield and A. F. Kippax.

The match will be played at the Sydney Cricket Ground and will be tendered these players in recognition of their services to the game for some years.

Hockey

Six-A-Side Tournament To Be Held

At the monthly meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association Council held yesterday at St. Andrew's Church Hall it was decided to hold a six-a-side Hockey Tournament commencing on April 2. The entries for this Tournament close on March 18. Mr. R. Henderson has been appointed manager of the Colony Hockey team to visit Macao on February 10.

The Interport team will play their first practice game against an Indian team on Wednesday, February 8, another game on February 9, and a third game on February 10. A team to be selected out of the Clubs participating in the Hockey Association Tournament. After the second match, the Interport team will be picked.

W. A. Reed has once again been elected Captain of the Colony team and has also been entrusted with the selection of the team replacing Lt.-Cmdr. Bowerman, who is leaving, on the Selection Committee.

PITY THE WRETCHED ANIMAL!

London, Jan. 15. Racing men will be intrigued by the news from Australia that an electric jockey's whip, which was picked up on a racetrack by a taxi-driver, is being inquired into by the stewards.

It is a cunning contrivance with cleverly concealed coil and battery. It is suspected that the jockey using it does not beat a horse with it, but places the end against neck or hind-quarters and presses a switch, thus giving the wretched animal an electric shock and causing it to run like the devil.

This invention heavily out-dates the stick and dangling carrot method, but what is worrying Australian authorities is that the taxi-driver is alleged to have lent the whip to a bookmaker.

It is feared that if use of the electric whip becomes general among bookmakers, they will be able to employ it on themselves at critical moments for "the book" to make faster getaways.



Here is another picture of the Malayan rugby players at practice on the Club ground yesterday. They impressed with the accuracy of their passes and their neat handling.—Staff Photographer.

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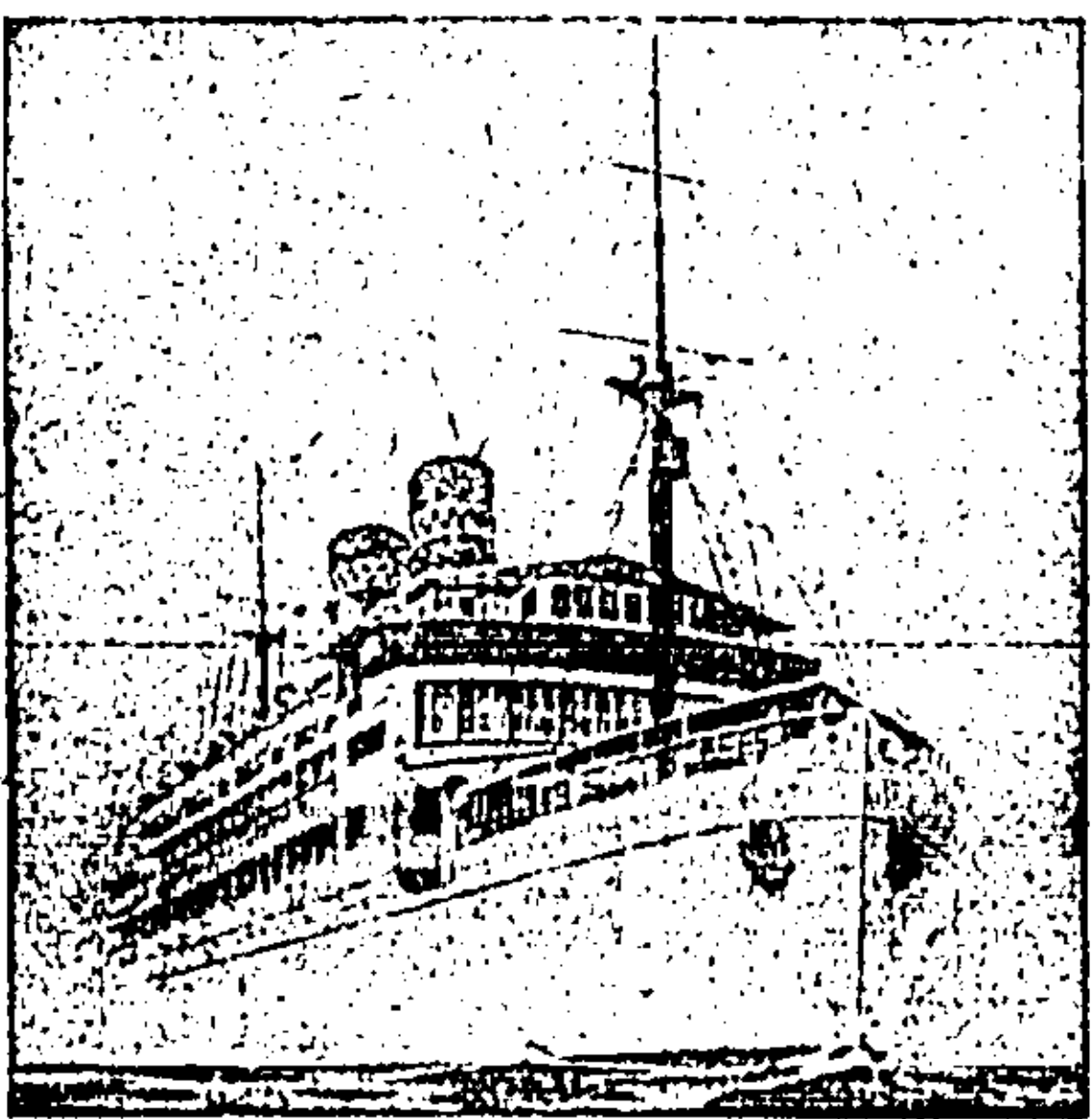
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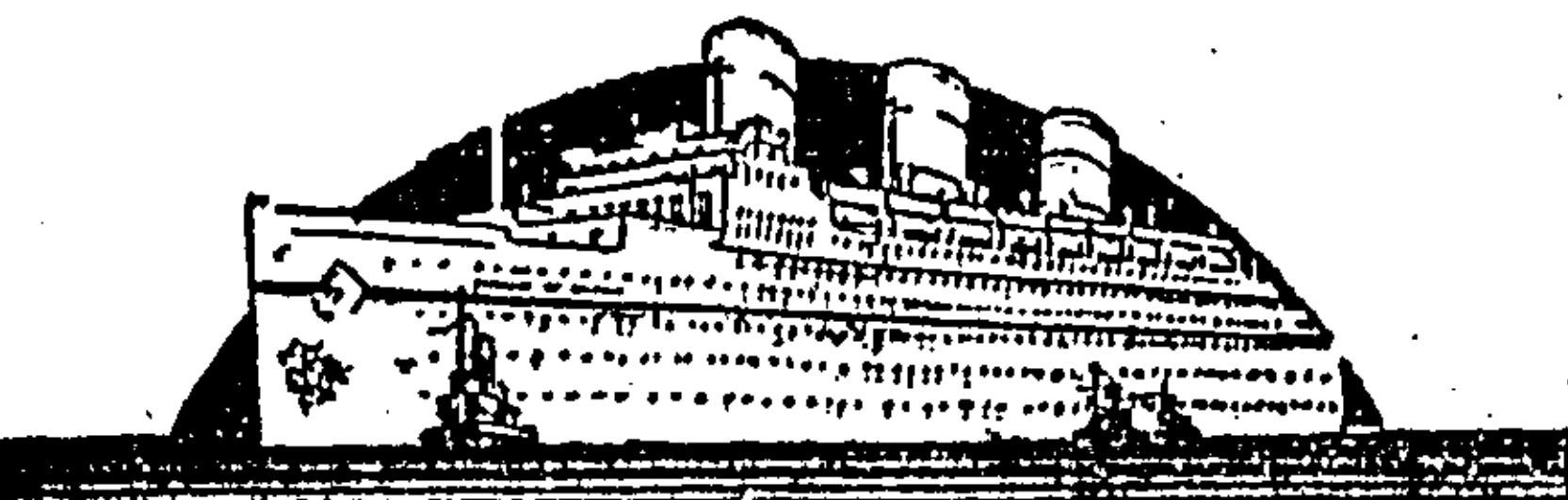
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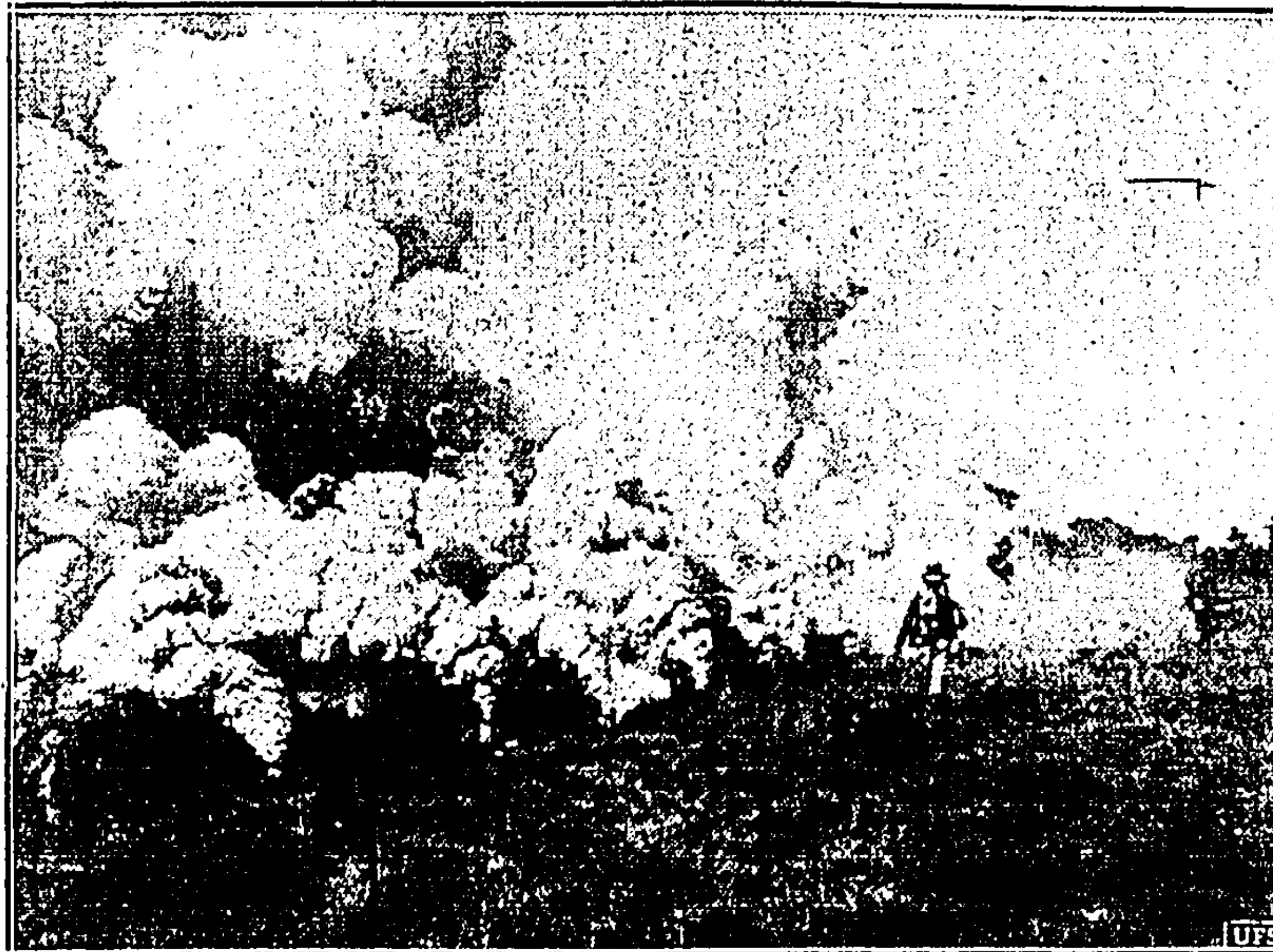
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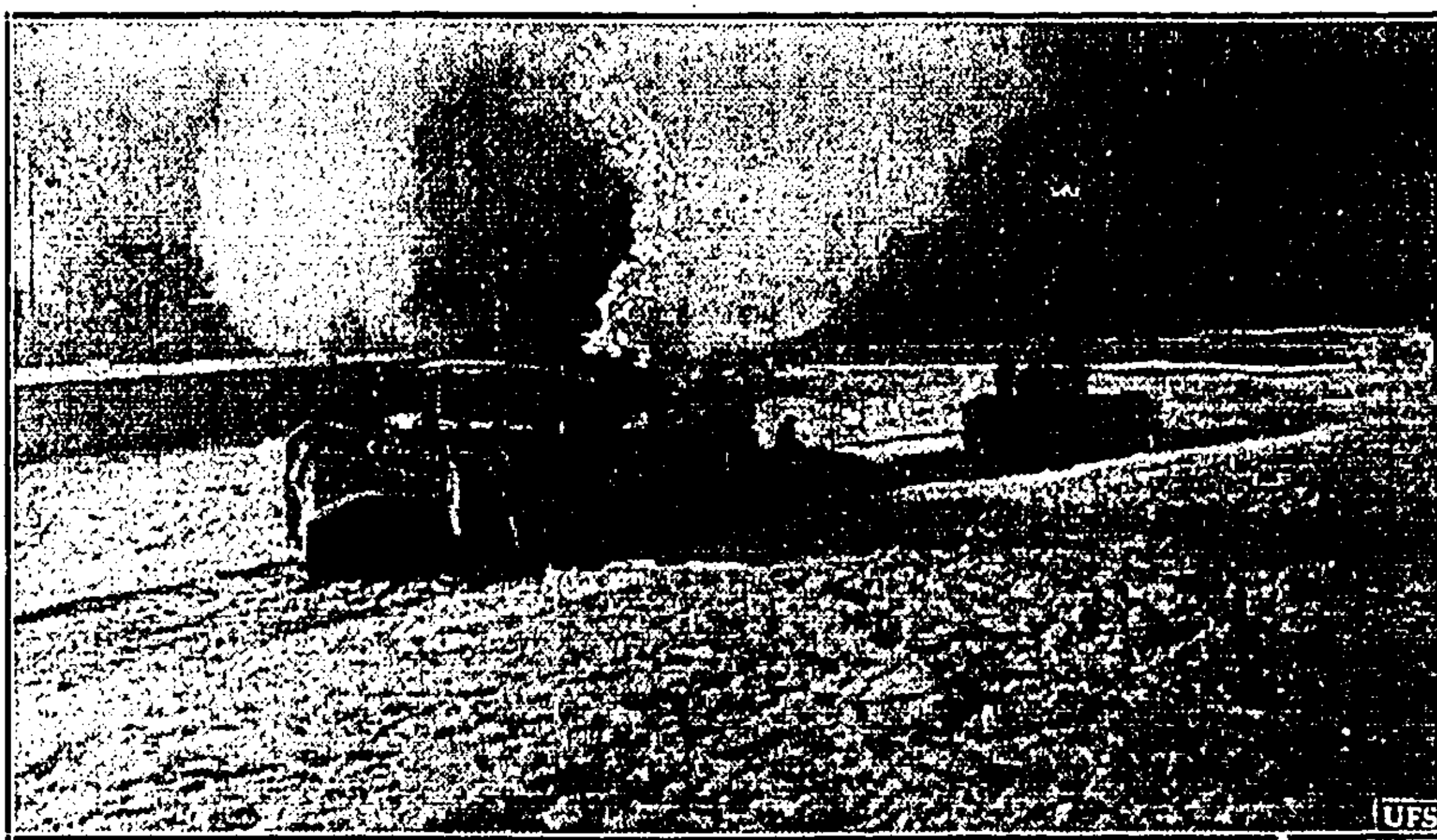
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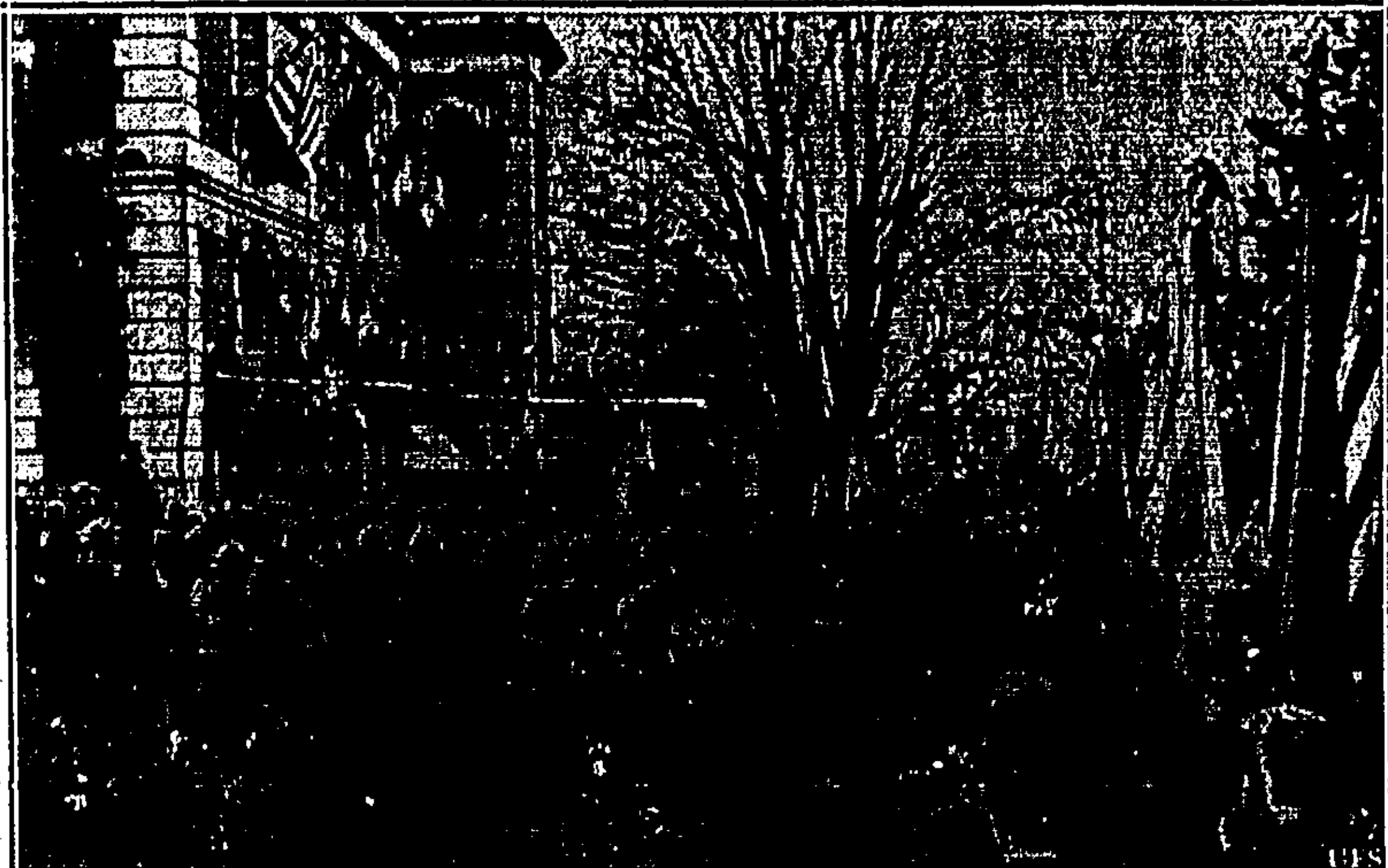
More German child refugees—this time 502 "non-Aryan" Christians and Catholics from Vienna—arrived recently at Fakenfield holiday camp near Lowestoft, England. Boy on the left cleans up his plate, while youngster, right, shields his face.



A heavy cloud of smoke covers the movements of the 65th Infantry, U.S. Army, stationed in Puerto Rico, during recent military manoeuvres for defence of the Panama Canal. The Army, under Col. John W. Wright, is defending a strategic point of land against an attacking party aboard a mythical ship off the island.



Icy blasts from the Northwest blew in a recent cold wave, with frigid weather from the Atlantic to the Rocky Mountains and from Canada to the Gulf, accompanied by snow and sleet in many sections. Here a Chicago harbour tug tows a sun-battered boat to safety after it had been caught in a Lake Michigan ice jam.



Recent dedication of a plaque on the house in Clermont-en-Oise, 80 miles from Paris, where General John J. Pershing halted on March 28, 1918, and informed his the American army was ready to fight. General Pershing's visit occurred at the height of the German offensive when the French army was held in check.



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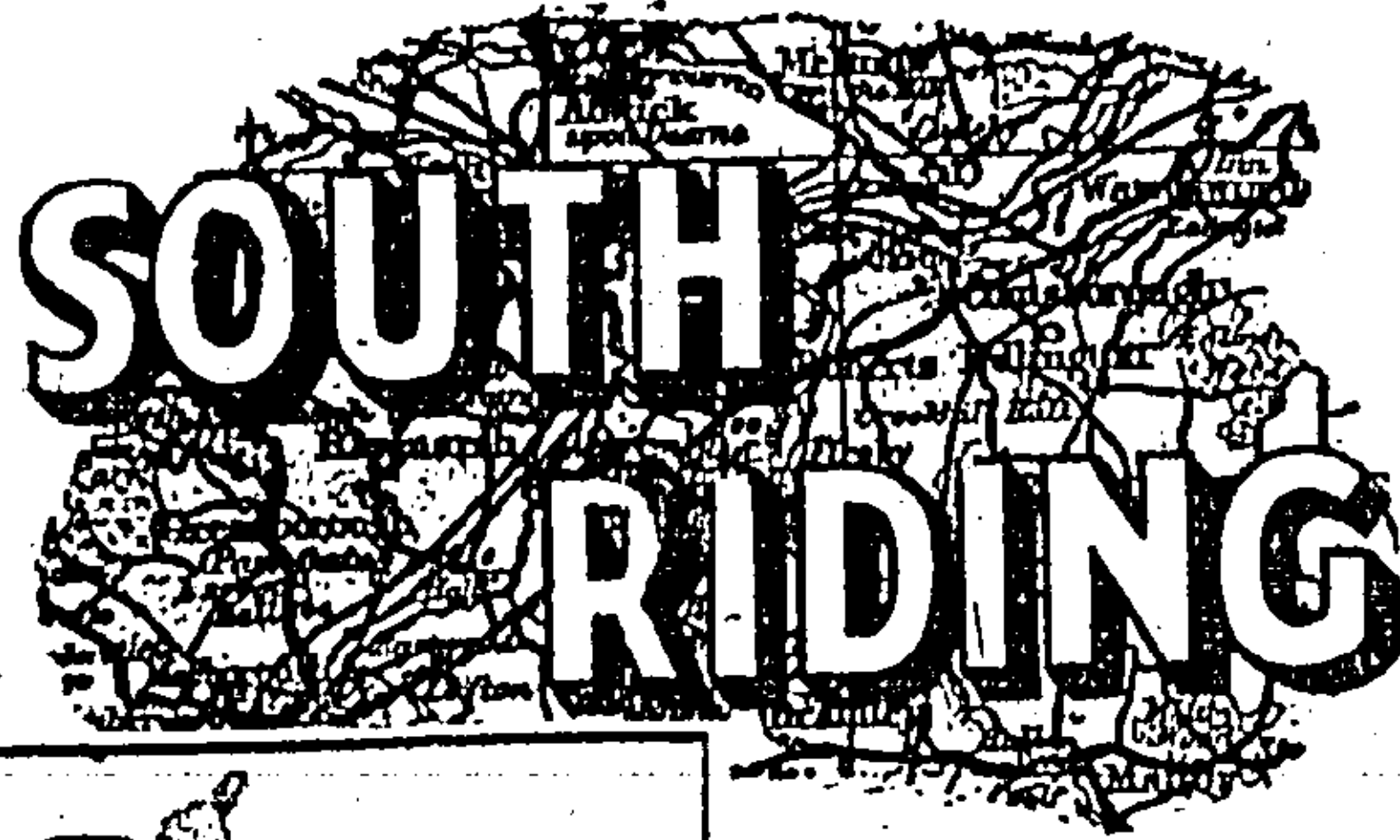
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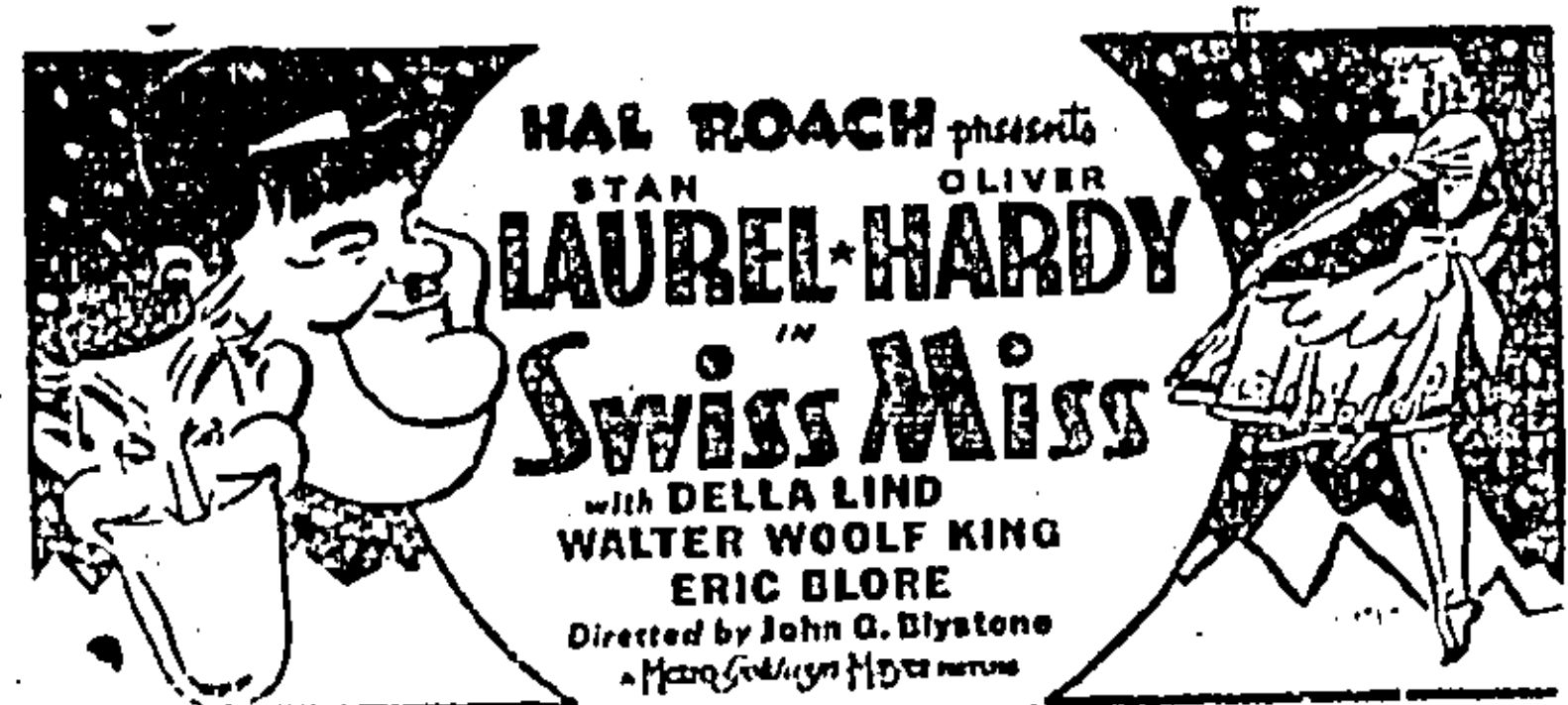
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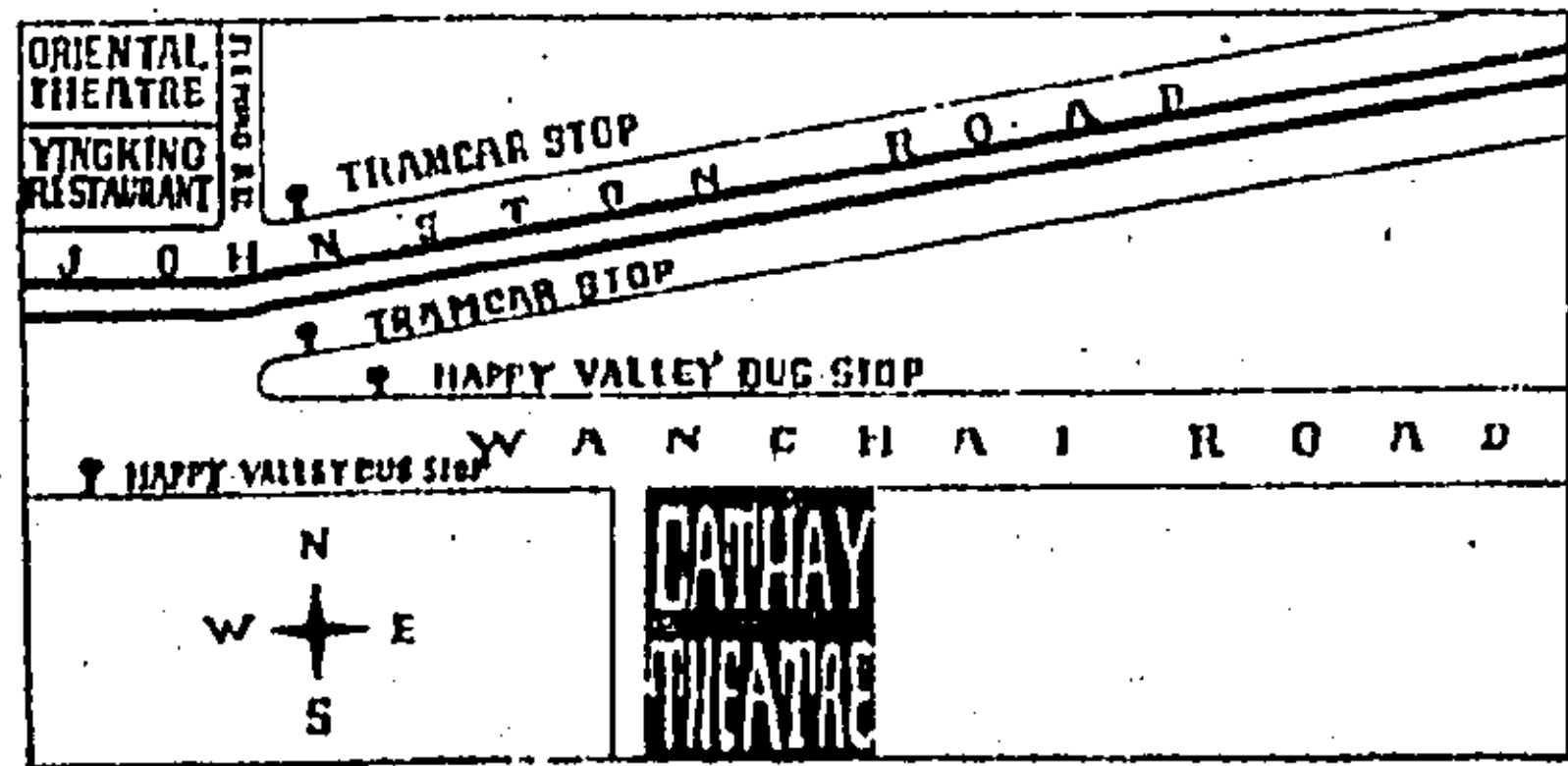
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The estimates for 1939 included \$34,184 for the transport of Government servants, and this was commented upon by the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, who said: "It is surprising to me how they under-estimated—first there were \$150,000 and now \$34,000."

The Financial Secretary: It is very difficult to tell sometimes when newly-appointed officers are going to come out.

The Chairman (Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith): The ordinary leave is easier. The Financial Secretary: Even then it is difficult because I have had occasion to think of two or three officers who had to be sent home on medical grounds.

The supplementary votes for 1939 included special grants of \$150,000 to the Tung Wah Hospital and \$18,700 to the Emergency Relief Council.

MUST QUIT KULING

Japanese Give Orders
To Foreigners

Shanghai, Feb. 2.

A Japanese spokesman announced to-day that the Japanese authorities yesterday notified the foreign consular authorities to evacuate all their nationals from Kuling before February 10, after which date the Japanese army would take absolute responsibility for the safety of foreign lives and property at Kuling. The notice stated that foreigners must evacuate to the Japanese lines in a single group at a set time and carry national flags.

It was indicated that the Japanese army would bomb and attack regardless of whether Chinese guerrillas held foreigners as hostages. This was Chungking's responsibility. Foreign property was unsafe owing to guerrilla operations in the vicinity.

The foreigners at Kuling comprise 37 Britons, 12 Americans, nine Germans and seven of other nationalities. Many are elderly and have been bed-ridden for many years.—United Press.

AIR FRANCE ARRIVES

Passengers and Mail
From Hanoi

The Air France plane arrived yesterday from Hanoi with passengers, mail and freight. Among those who arrived were Messrs. Jackson and Mizot, Mr. T. Oda, Japanese Consul in Hongkong, and Mr. C. S. Chu, Deputy Director of Posts at Kuning.

The plane will leave on Saturday at dawn on the return flight.

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For London, Australia, British Countries and Europe: Imperial Airways 7 a.m. Feb. 3. Imperial Airways 7 a.m. Feb. 7.

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For U.S.A. via Honolulu, Guam, Manila: Clipper 8.30 a.m. Feb. 8.

For France via Hanoi: Air France, 6.30 a.m. Feb. 4.

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The S. C. M. Post has received the following donations to the Street Sleepers' Shelter Society in memory of the late Dr. Irvin Kow and Miss M. H. Hughes: Lt.-Col. and Mrs. E. D. Matthews, \$10.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. H. Phillips, \$20; Anonymous, \$20; Mr. R. Trigg, \$10.

THE S.P.C.A.

The S. C. M. Post has received the following donations to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in memory of the late Miss M. H. Hughes: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fraser, \$5; Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Blakey, \$5.

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

The S. C. M. Post has received the following donation to the Society for the Protection of Children: In loving memory of Mrs. E. O. Murphy, \$20.

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The S. C. M. Post has received the following donation to the St. John Ambulance Association in memory of the late Miss M. H. Hughes: Dr. F. J. Farr, \$10.

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The Chairman of the Christian Mission to Chinese Seamen in Hongkong, acknowledges donations received for the Mission as follows:

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DONATIONS AWAITING

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Tung Wah Hospital; Street Sleepers' Shelter Society; St. John Ambulance Association; Dr. Barnardo's Homes; Dogs' Home; B.F.R.D.C.; S.P.C.A.

LATE NEWS

ATTACK ON JAPANESE

Li Ping-chun, 22, described as a partner and waiter in the Cha Heung Sut eating house at 81 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning in connection with the recent attack on a Japanese.

Li was charged with wounding and causing grievous bodily harm to Hiyoshi Sagara with intent to murder. Sagara is at present in hospital.

A remand was granted on the application of Det. Inspector W. N. Dar-kin.

Shipment Of Cattle

Tanda Brings Large Herd
From Australia

Five calves born on board increased a stock consignment, brought by the Tanda from Australia yesterday, to 57. Fifty-two are T. D. free cows being delivered by Messrs. William A. Jones, Pty. Ltd., Melbourne, to the Hongkong Dairy Supply Company, whose herd, which now numbers nearly 100, grazes on land at Customs Pass Road.

The shipment attracts attention to the fact that the Hongkong Dairy Supply Company, which was formed in 1937 to manufacture reconstituted milk, has gone into original dairying. Its reconstituted product was first put on the market last year.

Good judgment attends the Tanda's delivery, for the 47 cows that have not yet calved will do so within a few weeks, and the Dairy Company will have a fresh herd immediately in service. In any case Messrs. E. Mullholland and J. Follett, Australian stockmen who attended the consignment, were fortunate that only five calves were born to add to the burden of looking after the 52 cows landed here and 10 landed at Manila.

The Manila consignment was delivered to the Santa Mesa Dairy, which is also changing over entirely to Australian stock, having found the breed more hardy than other cattle of care. The Tanda's consignment was first watered and fed each day at 4 a.m., fed again at midday, watered and fed once more at 3.30 p.m., and then given as much lucerne hay as they might wish to toy with during the night. Keeping to this programme, they ate their way through 336 bags of chaff, 92 bags of bran, and about 11 tons of lucerne by the time they reached Hongkong. They showed the benefit of it, arriving in thriving condition.

Big Shipment In August

Sixteen were located in stalls on the deck, the remainder being on the shelter deck. The Tanda's shelter deck accommodation makes her popular ship for stock. Nine of the cows will be taxed on her August trip when she will carry 150 cattle and horses, the horses being for the Hongkong Jockey Club.

Mr. W. A. Jones arrived by the Tanda to deliver the cattle. He will go with the Tanda to Shanghai, returning before the ship to Hongkong and Manila, and joining her at the latter place for the return trip to Australia.

COW CAUSES PANIC

A lively episode was associated with the unloading of 10 Australian cows from the Tanda at Manila on her way to Hongkong. Nine of the cows went quietly, but the other took flight at the brightly coloured clothing of the clustering Filipinos and bolted down the wharf.

The scene immediately became one of panic. There was a wild scramble of shouting Filipinos, one youth leaping on to a bag of fodder less than an inch ahead of the animal's plunging horns.

At the end of the wharf the cow was confronted by a carabao drawn by its small Filipino pony. The terrified animal charged the vehicle, and when it drew back the pony was lying on the ground, dying.

The cow reared back along the wharf, paused at the edge, and then, almost deliberately, dived into the water. One of the Australian stockmen who had come up in charge of the cattle promptly dived in after the cow. He pursued her under the wharf and out the other side, where he caught her. He held her there until a crane could lower a net, and then came up triumphantly sitting on her rump.

His first triumph was short-lived, for the net collapsed and man and beast plunged into the water again. The second effort was successful and, once on land, the cow became suddenly quiet.

She gave no more trouble and soon, in that disinterested way cows have, was unconcernedly chewing the cud.

MAILS AND BEES

MIXED

Herbert Jamison, although he carries mail for a living, keeps 45 hives of Italian honey bees as a hobby. Last summer, Jamison took more than 7,000 pounds of honey from the hives, realizing a sizeable profit.

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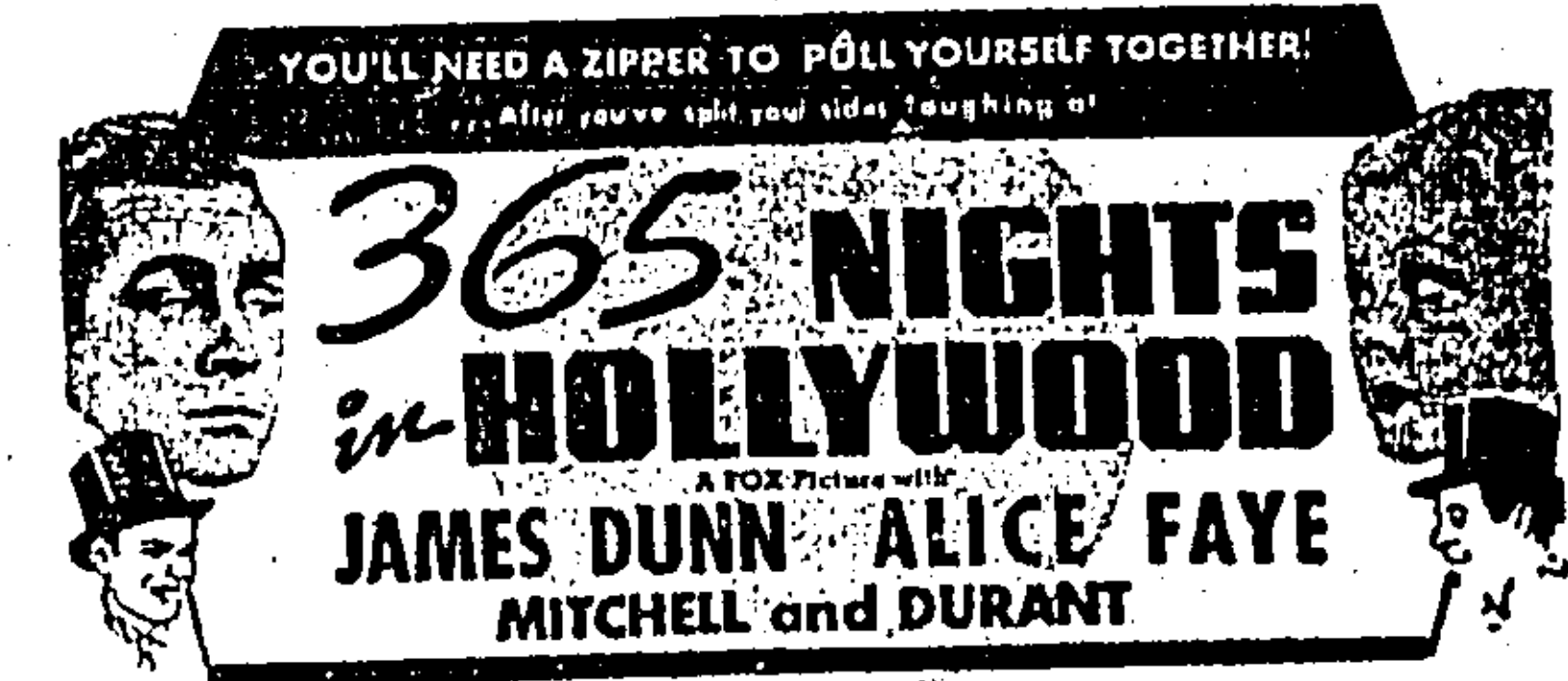
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MOUNTING STORM OF ANGER IN GERMANY AT ROOSEVELT'S OUTSPOKEN DECLARATION

Repercussion Said Certain In Europe

BERLIN, Feb. 2.

THE BERLIN PRESS to-day painted a picture of a mounting storm of anger against President Roosevelt in a concerted campaign designed to give the impression to Americans that they are up in arms over being "dragged into war", as a result of President Roosevelt's proposed aid to democracies.

Meanwhile, semi-official information given to correspondents warned that there would be repercussions as a result of the enthusiasm with which certain French circles received the news of President Roosevelt's proposed aid.

It was stated: "Nobody can doubt that it will not be without repercussions, when the desire for peace, as expressed by Herr Hitler is met by absolute enmity. It is evident that the spirit of Versailles is still alive in these quarters, and it proves that they are not yet willing to accept Germany's voluntary offer of friendship as a basis for mutual relations."

This observation apparently refers to the recently signed Franco-German non-aggression accord.—United Press.

"POLICEMAN OF WORLD"

Washington, Feb. 2. In a radio speech to-night, Representative Hamilton Fish, accused President Roosevelt of entering into a "quasi-military alliance with France" in connection with the aeroplane transaction.

He accused the President of desiring the United States to be the "policeman of the world", and to "expend her blood and treasure", despite the nation's traditional non-intervention policy.

He challenged President Roosevelt to specify what nation, or nations, even "remotely intended to invade the Western Hemisphere", and he denounced the proposed aerial base at Guam as being "aimed at Japan's heart".

He said that if Japan similarly projected a base within 1,300 miles

of California and the Panama Canal, "the United States people would regard the move as provocative, and virtually a cause of war."—United Press.

PRESIDENT UNAVAILABLE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2. PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S position remains unavailable, is the conclusion reached in circles close to the Administration, following the latest foreign policy developments.

The declare that the President's declaration was secret so that it cannot be quoted against him.

Secondly, his power to recommend and follow the policy indicated cannot be questioned.

Thirdly, Mr. Herbert Hoover's condemnation is offset by his own former Secretary of State, Mr. Stimson, who supports an anti-Fascist boycott and the lifting of the arms embargo to Spain.

Fourthly, those who attack President Roosevelt very likely received the benefit of the Italian and German newspapers which would be most damaging to their public standing.—Reuter.

"ITALY'S FRONTIER AT PANAMA"

Rome, Feb. 2. If the United States frontiers extend to the Rhine, Italy's must extend to the Panama Canal, declared Signor Gayda, writing in "Giornale d'Italia".

He described President Roosevelt's reported statement to the Senate Military Affairs Committee as a "premeditated act of open provocation of war, and discouragement of Mr. Chamberlain."

He adds that President Roosevelt has taken sides openly against Germany and Italy.—Reuter Special.

WORLD REACTION TO PLEDGE

Remarkable interest has been aroused, throughout the entire world, by President Roosevelt's statement to the Senate Military Affairs Commission, in which he is stated to have pledged American support for democracy in the event of a war with the Totalitarians.

In England and France, newspapers and public speakers are unanimous in their expression of gratification.

The Liberal "News-Chronicle" says that President Roosevelt is merely expressing the fact that the ideals for which the United States stands will be won or lost, not on the Mississippi but on the Rhine.

The Labour "Daily Herald" believes that war in Europe is a great deal less likely now that the Totalitarians know where America stands. It warns, however, that no more should be read into the reports of Mr. Roosevelt's advice than was given.

CO-OPERATION IN CHINA

The "Manchester Guardian" believes that two conditions are necessary in order to secure American aid—a much sterner policy in Europe and close co-operation with the United States in the Far East.

The French Press unanimously welcomes President Roosevelt's declaration.

In Berlin, however, it is interpreted as an abandonment of the U.S. policy of neutrality.

In Paris "Le Jour" believes that President Roosevelt has succeeded in holding back from war the autocratic states who are short of money.

In Berlin, the "Boetung Zeitung" leads the attack on President Roosevelt by saying that, accustomed as Germany is to polytechnics from the United States, no one would have believed it possible that such an incitement to war would have been issued 24 hours after the Fuehrer's speech.

WHEN U.S. WOULD FIGHT
In the United States public feeling is running at a high pitch of excitement.

One of the most significant utterances was by a former Republican President, Mr. Herbert Hoover.

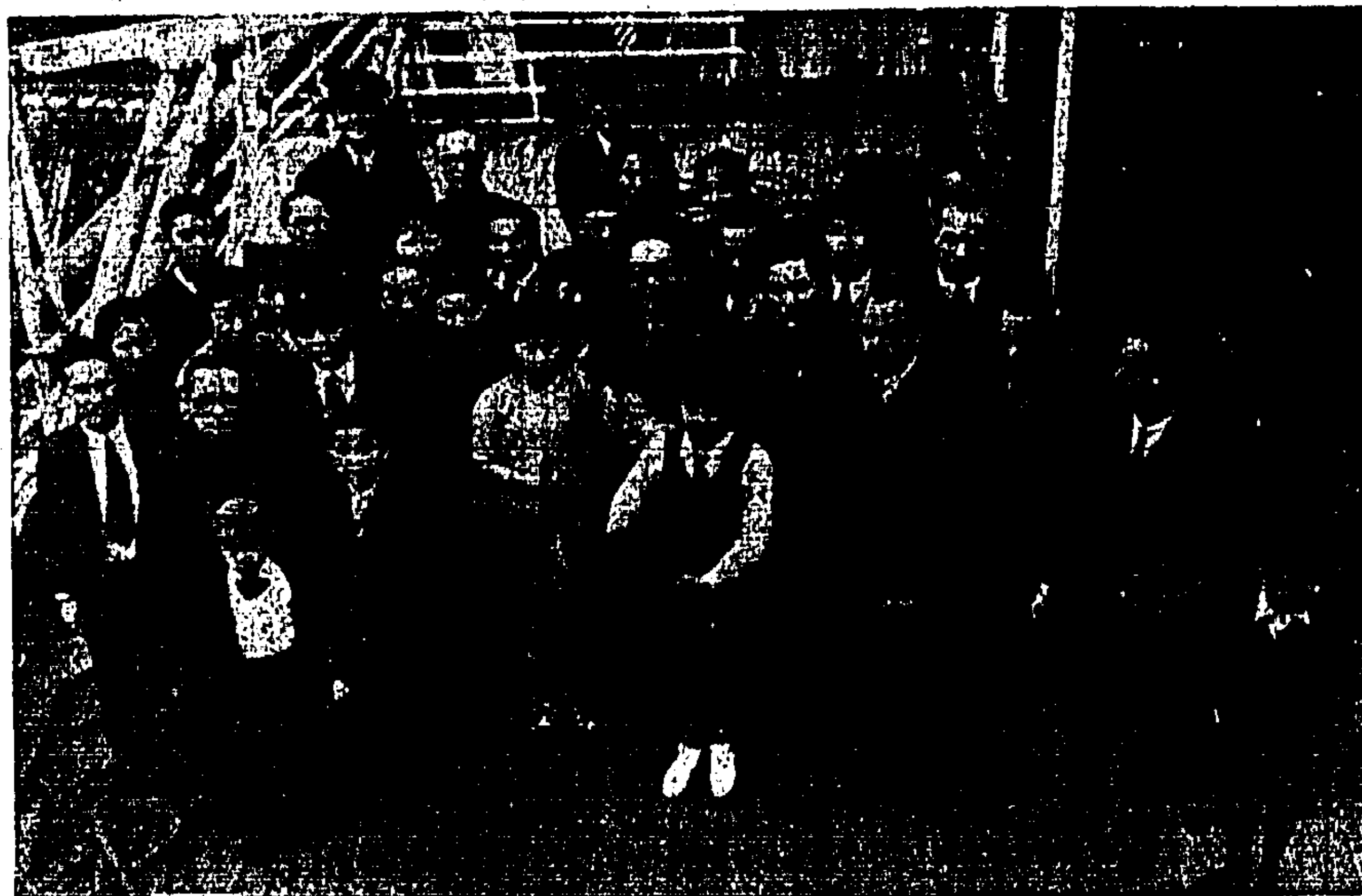
Whilst condemning the secrecy to which President Roosevelt pledged the Senate Committee, President Hoover admitted that there was probably one thing that would almost certainly involve the United States in a war that would have the support of all the people.

"If British or French cities are bombed from the air, and there is mass slaughter of women and children, America would not stand by," he declared.

Senator Pittman says: "To refuse to permit the democracies to prepare their defences would be to aid the totalitarians."

DEMOCRATS STAND FIRM

Washington, Feb. 2. It is ascertained that protests against the Administration secrecy as to the extent and nature of American commitments to sell war (Continued on Page 4.)



This group of Chinese who recently left Hongkong on the President Pierce were organised for the purpose of visiting the two international expositions being held in America this year. They are travelling under the auspices of the American Express Company and being personally conducted by Professor Kiang Kang-hu, Consultant of the Library of Congress, Washington. The party will proceed first to San Francisco and later in the summer will journey across the States to see the World Fair at New York. Several members of the party will return here by way of the Pacific while the others will continue round the world via Europe and return towards the end of the year.

Hongkong People Rush To Join A. R. P. Work

THOUSANDS OF VOLUNTEERS have answered the call for recruits to join the Air Raid Precautions organisation in Hongkong.

This revelation was made by Wing-Commander A.H.S. Steele-Perkins, A.R.P. Officer in Hongkong, when interviewed by the "Telegraph" this morning.

Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins described the response to the appeal launched by his department as "overwhelmingly satisfactory."

"Both Europeans and Chinese have responded magnificently," he declared. "Men and women in the Colony have shown that they are keenly interested in A.R.P. work."

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TRAINED
The A.R.P. Officer told the "Telegraph" that Government servants have already been trained, in some cases, while others are busy taking courses.

"The Police Department has set for examinations, the Colonial Secretariat staff has been trained, and P.W.D. and Urban Council officials are prepared in A.R.P. work."

"The staffs of the Import and Export Department and of the Harbour Office are now undergoing training."

Twenty-two Air Raid sub-Committees have been formed under the Air Raid Warden scheme, Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins disclosed.

The Wardens have already chosen their posts and are now recruiting personnel and training volunteers.

TRAMWAY TO LEAD
Among the private firms, the Hongkong Tramway Company has taken a distinctive lead and is now completely ready to protect itself and its employees against gas, fire and high explosives.

This Company, Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins revealed, has even gone so far as to request the Government to train one of its staff for anti-gas instruction. He has passed his examination and is now training many of the employees of the Company.

BRITONS MUST HAVE JAPANESE PASSPORTS!

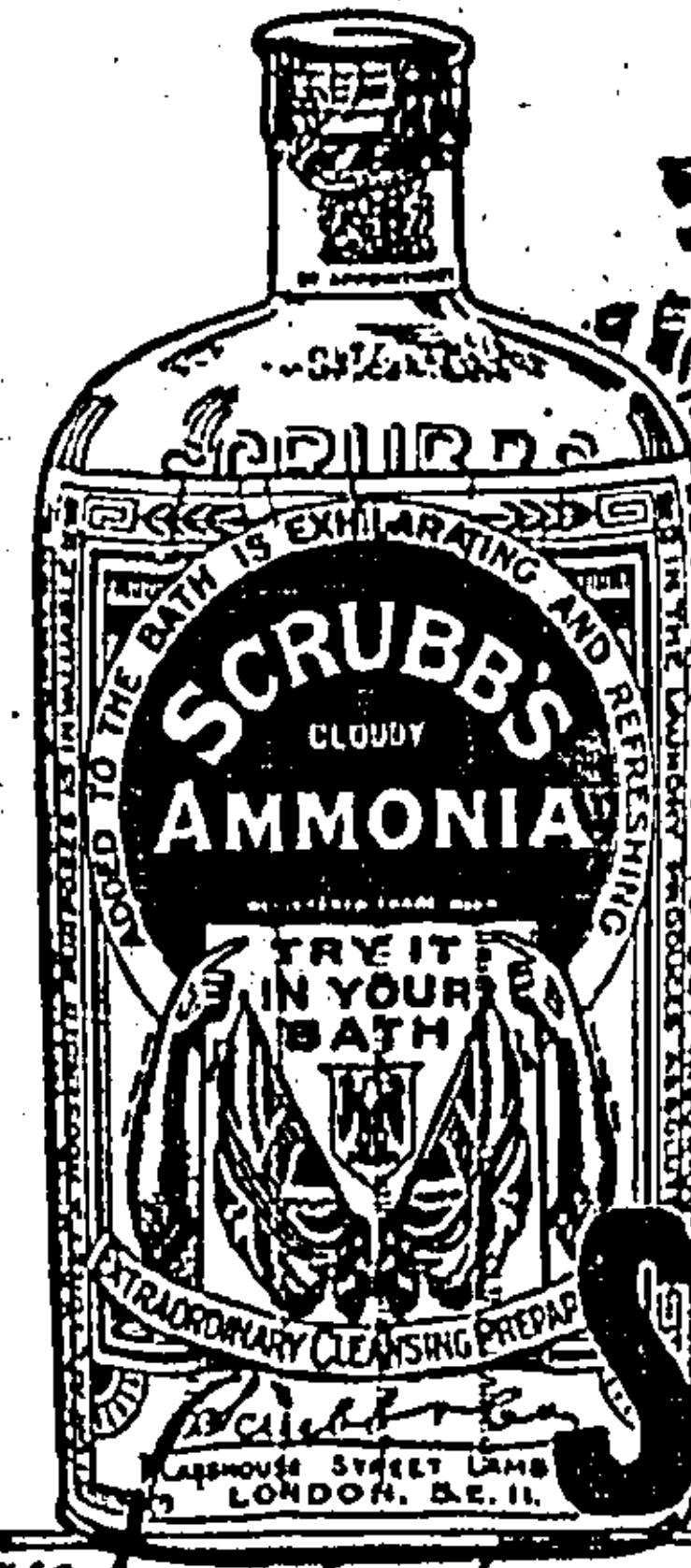
SHANGHAI, Feb. 2. THE "TRANS-OCEAN", representative at Hankow reports that the Japanese Consulate there has notified all foreign consulates that as from Sunday next, all foreigners in Hankow must carry passports issued by the Japanese authorities.

These must be shown when passing Japanese sentries posted at the entrances to the various districts.

Hitherto this has been demanded only of Chinese nationals.—Trans-Ocean.

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All-Day Barrage Demolishes Chinese On Siu River Bank

KWEILIN, Feb. 2.
JAPANESE artillery firing across the Siu River, where the invaders have been held up for over two months, subjected the Chinese positions on the south bank to a terrific barrage throughout yesterday.

The Japanese emplacements fired almost continuously throughout the day at the Chinese positions, which, in some cases, have been almost entirely obliterated.

For a distance of some miles, the south bank of the river is now pock-marked with shell-holes, testimony to the fierceness of the Japanese artillery attack since December.

Despite the almost continuous artillery barrage from the Japanese, the Chinese defenders are still holding grimly to their positions, and at no part of the river have the invaders succeeded in even starting the construction of pontoon bridges, necessary before they can attempt to effect a crossing.

Elsewhere in China, with the exception of the Suiat front, continuous rain has turned battlefields into quagmires, and hostilities have almost entirely ceased.

Military transport has completely ceased on both sides in northern Hunan, and not even sporadic fighting is reported.

In Shansi, however, the Chinese have met with considerable success south-west of Any, and claim to have recaptured the important town of Ishih.

The Japanese forces who attempted to drive southwards from Yusiung were repulsed with considerable losses, but heavy fighting has broken out southwest of Talyuan, following the arrival of Japanese reinforcements in the Chiao-cheng-Wenshui area.

Owing to the rain in the north, Japanese aerial activity has been confined to south China.

Japanese naval units yesterday carried out raids on Shao-kwan, on the Canton-Hankow Railway and on Shihung, on the West River.

Nanning, second largest city of Kwangsi province, was subjected to a heavy raid.

CHINA NOW BOASTS POWERFUL ARMY

PARIS, Feb. 2.
THE CHINESE ARMY is much more powerful this year than the last year declared the Roman-Catholic Archbishop of Nanking, Mgr. Yubin to a correspondent of the "Intransigent."

"We have now 200 divisions, more than 50 of which are motorized. Moreover there are more than four million guerrillas, most of them peasants, in areas occupied by the Japanese."

Some 2,000 Japanese are killed every month behind the front. Since November, that is to say, since we have received a large financial support, we can prepare ourselves for a long period of war. We are organizing gradually and can now produce rifles, machine-guns, and even guns of a smaller calibre."

The Archbishop who made these declarations after a dinner given in his honour by the Ambassador, Dr. Wellington Koo, has had a distinguished career as dignitary of the Roman-Catholic Church.

He will soon go to America as an advocate for the cause of China—Trans-Ocean.

Emigration Proposals Satisfactory

Mr. Rublee For London

Berlin, Feb. 2.
Mr. George Rublee is leaving for London to-night.

A communiqué states that the talks proceeded on the basis of the suggestions for a programme of orderly emigration of Jews made by Dr. Schacht during his visit to London.

It adds that the conversations clarified the programme, so that Mr. Rublee is able to give details to the Inter-Governmental Committee when it meets in London on February 13.

Dr. Schacht's original emigration plan has been modified beyond recognition, and it is understood that there is now no question of an outside loan, nor additional German commercial exports.

No actual agreement has been reached, but it is understood that Mr. Rublee regards the talks to have come to a satisfactory conclusion, and that he is optimistic.—Reuter.

Noise Aplenty To-day Island Forts To "Go Into Action"

GUNNERY FIRE will be audible throughout the Colony to-day, when defences on the Island of Victoria will be extensively tested by the military authorities.

Firing practice seawards will be carried out from 9 o'clock this morning until 6 o'clock this evening, although, of course, it will not be of a continuous nature.

The firing will commence from Devil's Peak Fort and Fort Collinson. Later the guns at Fort Stanley and Fort Davis, the two new forts on the southern side of the island, will be brought into action.

West Fort and Stonecutters Island will also fire during the course of the day.

Trade Agreement Prolonged

Berlin, Feb. 2.
It is understood that the existing trade agreement between Germany and Russia has been prolonged for another year.

Preliminary discussions about extension of a credit agreement were nipped in the bud.—Reuter Special.

Czechs To Spend £10,000,000 On Armaments

PRAGUE, Feb. 2.
CZECHO-SLOVAKIA will spend over £2,000,000 more on defence in 1939 than 1938, according to the Federal budget, which puts total expenditure at about £23,500,000, of which about £10,300,000 is for national defence, compared with about £8,000,000 in 1938.—Reuter Special.

Gold Shares Stimulated By New Bill

Effect Of British Govt. Announcement

LONDON, Feb. 2.
GOLD MINING shares rose on the Stock Exchange to-day following the issue last night of the Government's Bill amending the currency and Bank Notes Acts, as a result of which the gold holding of the Bank of England is to be revalued at market price.

The step was foreseen at the time of the Treasury announcement of the fiduciary issue early last month, but other proposals contained in the Bill have taken the public by surprise, and they are generally regarded as constituting an important stage in the development of the British monetary system.

The Bill provides that the Bank's gold reserve and other assets of the issue department will be subject to revaluation weekly at current prices, and that any difference between this valuation and note circulation shall be adjusted by movements of gold between the Bank and the Exchange Equalisation Account.

The Bill will also reduce the fiduciary issue so recently increased to £400,000,000 to £300,000,000 and will repeal a section of the 1844 Bank Charter Act which obliges the Bank to issue notes in return for gold.

It is stated that there is no precedent in central banking history for the proposal that the gold reserve be valued at the independent market price. The object of the measure is assumed to be to introduce greater flexibility into the "management" of the national monetary system, of which the British authorities now have very considerable experience, and the comment of financial writers is generally favourable.—British Wireless.

Canada Will Fight!

Sydney, Feb. 2.
"Canada raised an army of half a million in the last war, and she will do it again if war develops," declared Mr. Hepburn, Premier of Ontario at a State luncheon here to-day.

Answering the "loose talk of college professors, who are speaking not for Canada, but for themselves," Mr. Hepburn said "Canada desires to remain with the Empire and will make the same contribution in any new conflict, as in 1914."—Reuter Special.

CONSTRUCTION OF BRECONSHIRE A BRILLIANT FEAT

SHIPPING NEWSPAPERS throughout the world this morning published a brief paragraph from Lloyd's of London.

It comprised only half a dozen words and tersely said: "HONGKONG.—Launched, Breconshire, 10,000-tons, Glen Line."

Behind that brief message, one of hundreds received annually at the famous Shipping headquarters in London and distributed by them throughout the world, is the story of the third largest vessel built in the British Empire outside the United Kingdom.

It is the story of the labour of a thousand men, of the skill of British engineers and designers, and of the triumph of Hongkong ship-building yards.

The Breconshire is the first of two 10,000-ton liners to be launched in Hongkong this year. Work on the second, also under construction at the Taikeo Dockyards, is already well advanced.

The gathering gloom of nightfall added to the splendour of the scene at the Taikeo Docks yesterday, when the launching took place.

Outside the docks, powerful tugs directed their searchlights on the towering ship waiting to take charge of her, in the puffing and important way tugs have, after she slid into the water.

Beneath the hull, as the time for the launching approached, gangs of workmen were busily engaged knocking away the blocks, leaving only four giant iron triggers to hold the vessel on the slipway until the wife of His Excellency the Governor pressed an electric button.

The preliminaries were watched with great interest by the large crowd of over a thousand guests invited to attend the ceremonies.

UNIQUE CEREMONY

The ceremony was unique in many respects. It was the first launching to be performed by Lady Northcote; it took place in the re-created daylight of hundreds of flood-lights in the presence of the largest attendance ever witnessed at a function of this nature; and it was the first such event to be broadcast by ZBW.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, was also present. He was accompanied by his son, Mr. M. A. Northcote, who arrived in the Colony yesterday, and was attended by his A.D.C., Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith and his Private Secretary, Mr. Garrod Trevelyan.

His Excellency and Lady Northcote were received by Mr. W. H. Lock, manager of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, and Mr. J. Finnie, manager of the Taikeo Dockyard.

Also present on the platform were Major-General A. E. and Mrs. Grissett, Sir Atholl and Lady Macgregor, Commodore and Mrs. E. B. C. Dicken, the Hon. Mr. N. L. and Mrs. Smith, the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Pater, the Hon. Mr. S. H. and Mrs. Deed, the Hon. Mr. S. H. and Mrs. Deed, Sir Vandevelde Grayburn and Miss Grayburn, Mr. and Mrs. E. Cock, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Newblazing and Mr. and Mrs. A. R. H. Phillips.

BOUQUET PRESENTED

Before the christening ceremony, Lady Northcote was presented with a beautiful bouquet of roses by little Miss Moyra Macindoe, daughter of Mr. A. Macindoe, of Taikeo Docks.

The giant mallets wielded by the workmen as they knocked away the blocks lent an almost weird emphasis to the scene as Lady Northcote,

Triumph Of Hongkong Ship-Yards

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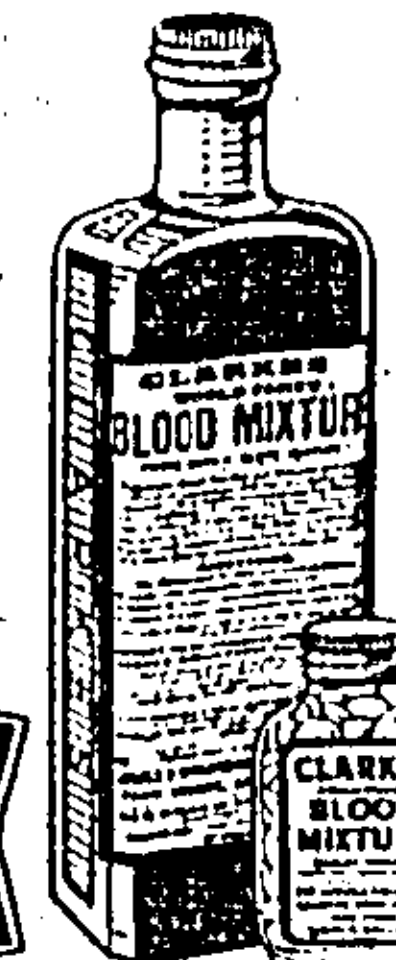


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Swift Rise In Mercury Yesterday

There was another swift jump in Hongkong's temperature yesterday, the maximum reaching 71 degrees, while the minimum attained 57.

At 10 o'clock this morning the thermometer registered 60, while humidity was 68 per cent.

Because there has been no rainfall for several days, the total for the year to date is now below average, being 1.12 inches as against 1.41 inches.

The Royal Observatory weather report issued this morning stated that the anti-cyclone over China has decreased to moderate intensity and has moved southward; pressure is highest over the lower Yangtze Valley.

Local forecast is:—North-east wind, moderate; fair.

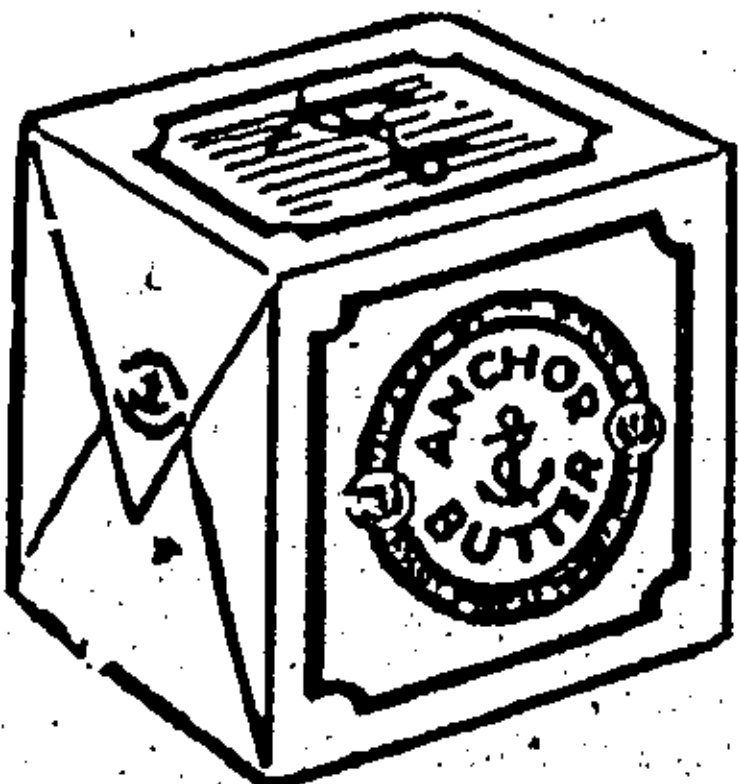
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H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

H.K. Banks, 1,400 b. & sa. 84 n.
H.K. Banks Ltd. 1,400 b. & sa. 84 n.
Chartered 1,400 b. & sa. 84 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. 27 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C. 13 n.
East Asia 108 n.

INSURANCES

Canton 215 sa.
Union 460 b. & sa.
China Underwriters 45 n.
H.K. Fire 170 b.

SHIPPING

Douglas 65 n.
Steamboats 15 n.
Indo-China, P. 60 n.
Indo-China, D.S. 24 n.
Shell Bearer 82 1/2 n.
Waterboats 9 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves 115 b.
Docks (old) 125 sa.
Docks (new) 162 1/2 n.
Providents (old) 610 n.
Providents (new) 580 n.
New Eng. Sh. 500 n.
Sha. Docks, Sh. 100 n.

MINING

Kailan 10 1/2 n.
Bauba 5 n.
Venz: Goldfield 5 n.
Hongkong Mines 45 n.
Antamok 43 1/2 sa.
Atoka 44 1/2 sa.
Baguio Gold 20 sa.
Benguet Con. 13 1/2 sa.
Coco Grove 47 sa.
Con Mines 0025 sa.
Demonstration 21 1/2 sa.
I.C.L. 67 sa.
Gomus 18 sa.
San Mauricio 17 1/2 sa.
Suyoc Consul 23 sa.
Paracale 67 sa.

LANDS

Hotels 680 b.
Lands 30 1/2 n.
Lands 4 1/2 deb. 107 1/2 n.
Shal Lands Sh. 8 1/2 n.
Humphreys 35 1/2 n.
H.K. Realities 550 n.
Chinese Estates 97 b.

UTILITIES

Trams 1740 sa.
Peak Trams (old) 4 sa.
Peak Trams (new) 4 sa.
Y. Ferries (old) 22 sa.
Y. Ferries (new) 22 sa.
China Light (old) 830 n.
China Light (new) 5 1/2 b.
H.K. Electric 50 sa.
Maeno Electric 17 1/2 n.
Sandakan Light 10 n.
Telephones (old) 23 b.
Telephones (new) 7 1/2 n.
Traction 22 1/2 n.

INDUSTRIAL

Cold: Macg. (ord.), Sh. 14 n.
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Canton Ice 170 n.
Cements 15 1/2 b.
Ropes 4 b.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms 23 1/2 n.
Watsons 7 1/2 sa.
Lane Crawford 8 n.
Sincere 13 1/2 n.
Wing On (H.K.) 37 b.
Powell, Ltd. 80 n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh. 1020 n.
Shal Cotton Sh. 101 n.
Zong Singa 42 sa.
Wing On Textile Sh. 42 b.

MISC.

H.K. Entertainments 7 b.
Constructions 14 n.
Vibro Piling 060 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1025
GS Bonds ex. Int. 68 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 4 1/2 Loan 06 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2 06 1/2 n.
Maurmans (Lond.) 27 1/2 b.
Maurmans (H.K.) 27 1/2 b.

MANILA SHARES

The following quotations were received after the close of the morning session through Reuters:

Business Done	Prices in Pesos
Antamok	43 1/2
Atok	34 1/2
Baguio	20
Benguet Cons.	13 1/2
Coco Grove	47
Con Mines	0025
Demonstration	21 1/2
I.C.L.	67
Maeno Electric	17 1/2
San Mauricio	17 1/2
Suyoc Consul	23
Paracale	67

The following is Swan, Culbertson & Fritz' report on this morning's market:

The Manila market held a quiet session with most prices remaining unchanged. Benguet Consolidated was the high spot in the market, having gained 30 centavos. Antamok and Atok showed losses of 1/2 and 1 centavo respectively. United Paracale gained one centavo, while Baguio Gold and Suyoc gained 1/2 centavo each. Yesterday's volume in Pesos was 490,000.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be HELD at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 16th. February, 1939, at 12 NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st. December, 1938.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, 4th. February to THURSDAY, 16th. February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.
Hongkong, 24th. January, 1939.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED

Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the 24th. February, 1939, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st. December, 1938.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 17th. February, 1939, to Friday, the 24th. February, 1939, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS, Secretary.
Hongkong, 30th. January, 1939.

Wang Leaving Hanoi For European Tour

It is confirmed from usually well-informed Chinese circles that Wang Chung-wei, former vice-president of the Kuomintang who was expelled from the party in consequence of his peace move at the end of last year, will shortly leave Hanoi for Europe.

The passport for which Wang recently applied to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, has already been received from Chungking. It is learned. It is believed that he will sail directly to France from Hanoi, where he has been staying since his secret departure from Chungking on December 18 last year. He will be accompanied by his wife and Tsang Chung-ming.

With confirmation of Wang's intention to leave for Europe, the Japanese reports to the effect that the former Kuomintang leader will join the puppet government in Nanking are dispelled.

Gas-Masks For 2-Year-Olds

The Lord Privy Seal announced in the House of Commons that satisfactory gas protection for infants under two years had now been designed, and production was going forward with all possible speed.

In addition 1,100,000 respirators suitable for small children over two years were on order.—British Wireless.

Gib. Governor To Tour Morocco

Gibraltar, Feb. 2.
The Governor of Gibraltar, General Sir Edmund Ironside, will, it is announced, pay an official visit to French Morocco during the latter part of February.

In view of the existing tension between France and Italy, considerable importance is attached to the visit, which is regarded as a clear demonstration of Anglo-French solidarity.

The French cruiser squadron which arrived here some days ago on a visit, left again on Thursday.—Trans-Ocean.

THE "TELEGRAPH" will send a Staff Photographer to all events of public interest. Requests should be addressed to the Pictorial Editor.

C. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 6th day of February, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kennedy Street, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	No. 520	Agri-culture Island, Kennedy Street.	As per sale plan	3,100	\$48	\$10,500

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
2	No. 253	New Kowloon Island, Cheung Sha Wan.	As per sale plan	4,500	\$61	\$4,950

British Gunboat On Visit To Macao

Macao, Feb. 2.
Under the command of Lieut. Comm. D. L. C. H.M.S. Seamew arrived in Macao on a short visit yesterday afternoon. The usual exchange of salutes and official calls were given when the Seamew berthed in Portuguese waters.

The Seamew's officers were the guests of Mr. F. J. Gellion, British Vice-Consul for Macao, and Mrs. Gellion, for dinner yesterday evening, and a luncheon was held in their honour by H.E. the Governor of Macao, Dr. A. Tarnaglini Barbosa, to-day. The Governor and his official party dined on board the Seamew this evening and an At Home was held shortly before noon on the visiting warship.

The ship's company engaged a local team in a soccer match this afternoon and the Seamew's team lost by a score of three goals to two.

H.M.S. Seamew will leave this port to-morrow morning.—Our Own Correspondent.

Exchange Control In Shantung

Peiping, Feb. 2.
Exchange control is functioning in Chefoo as from yesterday on Japanese naval orders that export permits will only be granted if export bills are sold through the Yokohama Specie Bank branch, which is only accepting them at the artificial rate of 1/2d per dollar.

Shippers are refusing to export, and their coastal vessels are sailing from Chefoo without cargo.—Reuter.

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BRITISH PLANE CRASH

Shot Down By Arab Irregulars

JERUSALEM, Feb. 2.
A BRITISH AEROPLANE was shot down by Arab irregulars while cruising over the village of Deir Ballut, at a low altitude to-day, the British pilot being killed in the crash.

The machine, with others, had been ordered to assist searching parties at work in the Samaria district.

Numerous other minor incidents which occurred to-day indicate that Arab resistance has not diminished.

A train was wrecked on the Jaffa-Jerusalem route as a result of sabotage, although the extent of the damage is not yet known.

A bomb was tossed into the office of a Jewish taxicab company in Jerusalem, the building being practically destroyed.

A Jewish iron-ware factory in Akko was partially destroyed through a fire started by Arabs, and an Arab was shot from an ambush in the same town.

The body of an Arab, riddled with bullets, has been discovered west of Ramph.—Trans-Ocean.

MOUNTING STORM OF ANGER IN GERMANY AT ROOSEVELT'S OUTSPOKEN DECLARATION

(Continued from Page 2.)

material to France and Britain have so far not enlisted the support of a numerically large group of Senators, and there are no signs that they will.

Criticism of President Roosevelt, which, in some quarters is very sharp, is confined mostly to the Republicans and Democrats already at odds with the Administration.

There are some indications that the secrecy issue will be disposed of very quickly to-morrow when the Senate Military Affairs Committee considers the motion by Senator Bennett Clark that the details of the plan to sell planes to France should be made public.

Some critics are alleging that President Roosevelt is focusing public interest on foreign affairs in order to divert attention from the unsatisfactory conditions in America.

One or two Senators even go so far as to express the opinion that President Roosevelt is using the aid of the democracies' policy as a means of a third term as President.

—United Press.

GERMANY'S U-BOAT REARMAMENT

Official Communique Issued In Berlin

BERLIN, Feb. 2.
THE RECENT Anglo-German naval conference in Berlin, in the course of which Germany announced her intention of increasing her submarine tonnage up to the limit provided for in the Anglo-German naval agreement, was the subject of the following announcement made by the semi-official German News Agency this evening:

"The German Government informed His Britannic Majesty's Government last December of its intention of exercising the rights accorded to it through the Anglo-German naval agreement of June 18, 1934, and July 17, 1937.

"A friendly conference was held in Berlin on December 30, concerning certain questions that arose from the exercising of these rights.

"The German Government agreed at that time to provide the British Government with a written statement.

"On January 18 of this year the German Government handed to the British Government a written statement regarding the intentions as revealed at the aforementioned conference.

"Germany will, accordingly, increase her submarine tonnage to parity with that of the British Empire, the beginning to be made in 1939, and construction to be continued until the treaty limit is achieved.

"Germany will, furthermore, arm two 10,000-ton cruisers in such a manner that they will be advanced from cruisers of sub-class B to cruisers of sub-class A. In doing so, Germany is exercising the right accorded to her in the agreement."

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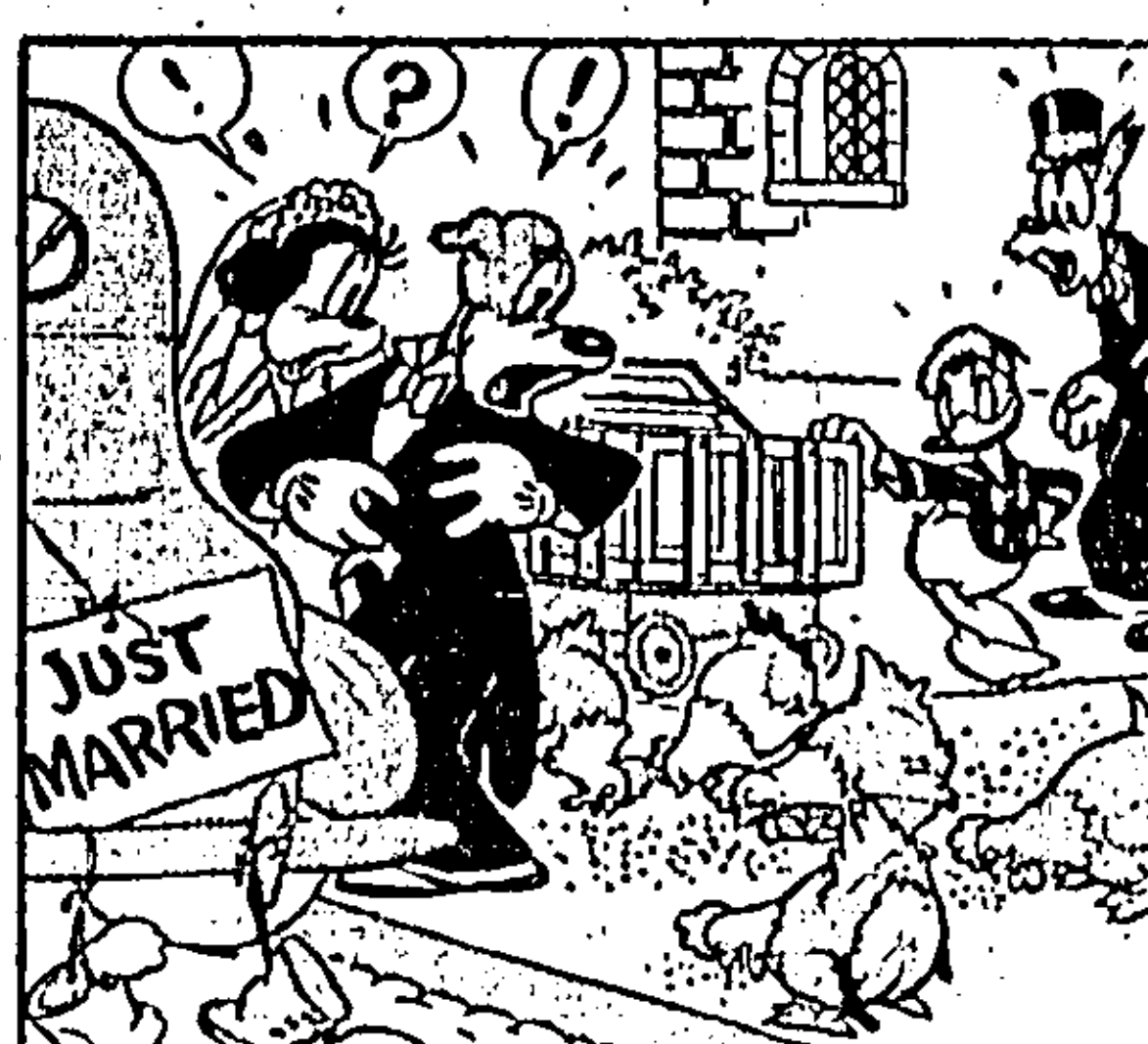
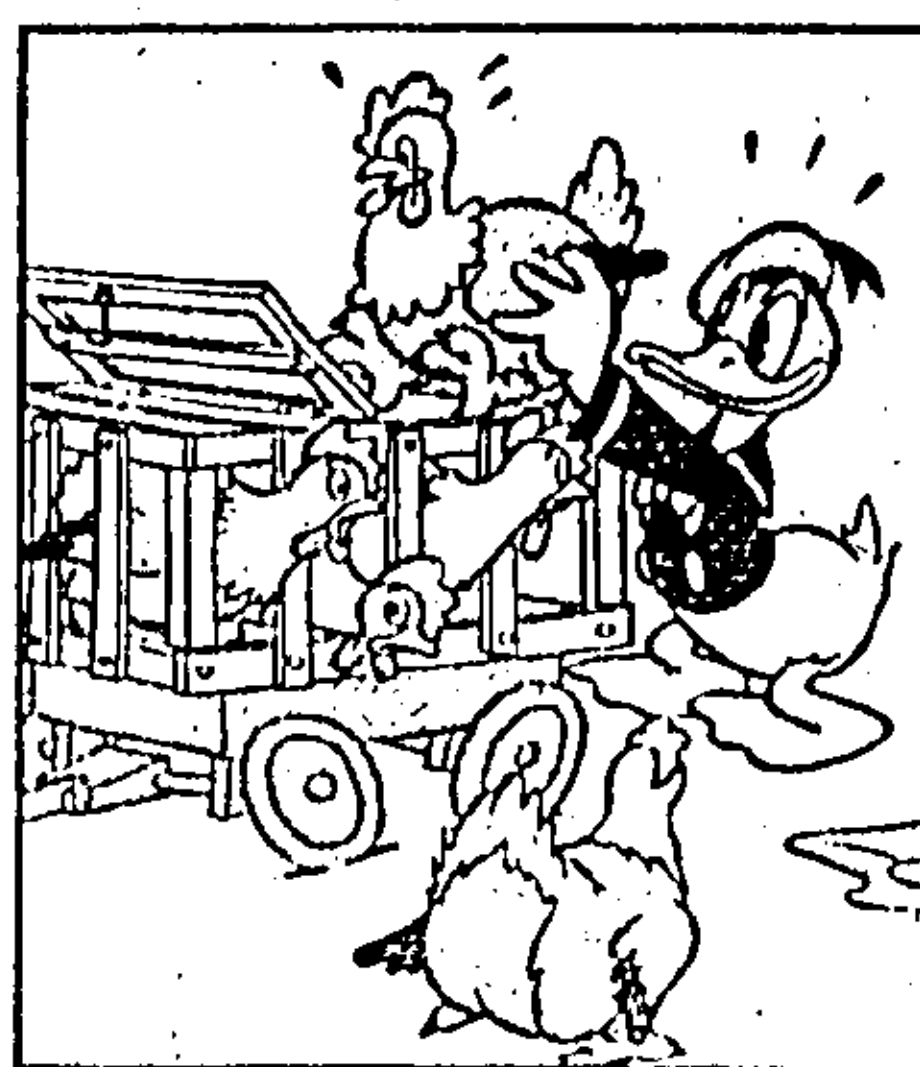
"Germany will, accordingly, increase her submarine tonnage to parity with that of the British Empire, the beginning to be made in 1939, and construction to be continued until the treaty limit is achieved.

"Germany will, furthermore, arm two 10,000-ton cruisers in such a manner that they will be advanced from cruisers of sub-class B to cruisers of sub-class A. In doing so, Germany is exercising the right accorded to her in the agreement."

—Trans-Ocean.

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Soviet Russia Breaks Off Diplomatic Relations With Hungary As Protest At Pro-Totalitarianism

"NO LONGER AN INDEPENDENT COUNTRY," MOSCOW ALLEGES

MOSCOW, FEB. 2.
M. MAXIM LITVINOV, THE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER, HAS INFORMED THE HUNGARIAN MINISTER THAT THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO SEVER DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH HUNGARY.

The decision has been taken owing to German pressure on Hungarian affairs, and because of Hungary's adhesion to the anti-Comintern Pact.

M. Litvinov informed the Hungarian Minister that the Soviet Legation at Budapest would be closed, and the Soviet Government expected the closure of the Hungarian mission in Moscow.

According to the official agency, the decision of the Soviet is connected with the fact that as a result of the Munich agreement, Hungary has lately been subjected to strong pressure by certain

States, and the "policy of the Hungarian Government shows that it easily yielded to this pressure and has lost its independence to a considerable degree."

AGGRESSIVE AIMS

It is pointed out that the decision of the Hungarian Government to join the anti-Comintern Pact cannot be justified by the interests of the Hungarian State itself, which by no means coincide with the aggressive aims pursued under the guise of this pact by its participants, and in the first place by Japan.

Consequently, the decision has been forced upon the Hungarian Government from outside.

Soviet circles explain that distinction is made between other signatories of the pact and Hungary because the other signatories are still independent States. It is declared that "Hungary is now a vassal of the Rome-Berlin axis, and does not deserve full diplomatic status."—*Reuter*.

STIRRING DEFENCE OF JEWS

Hitler Impeached In World Appeal

GENEVA, Feb. 2.

THE TEXT OF A statement issued by the headquarters of the World Jew Congress was issued to-night, and is as follows:

"In view of the outrageous attacks against the world of Jewry made by the Chancellor of the Reich in his last speech, it is our duty to make it known to the governments and public opinion in civilized nations, the profound indignation felt by millions of Jews represented by the World Jew Congress.

THREAT OF EXTERMINATION
"The head of the German Government not only insults our unfortunate Jews in Germany, whose lives are made intolerable by high regime, who are prevented from praying in their synagogues or even from seeking an asylum elsewhere; is not content to ridicule nations who are able to endeavour to help the victims of Nazi persecution, who does not confine himself to threatening millions of Jews with complete extermination, but is trying to stir up all the nations of the world against them.

"The Chancellor of the Reich even affirms that it is not Germany which threatens the peace of the world, but that it is the Jews who want war.

"We repulse firmly and with horror, this outrageous accusation, coming from a man whose notorious book 'Mein Kampf' vindicates the necessity of war, which alone, according to him, is capable of realizing the aims of his policy.

SEPTEMBER CRISIS
"We desire to recall to the world that the countries which, in September

A GREAT SURPRISE

The decision of the Soviet Government to break off diplomatic relations with Hungary has called forth the following comment in Hungarian circles at Moscow:

The step, coming so suddenly and without previous warning, is a great surprise. Complying with the Soviet demand, the Hungarian envoy at Moscow notified his Government at Budapest of the Soviet's step. However, nothing is known as to what decision Budapest will make.

Hungarian semi-official circles here further stated that M. Litvinov had suggested that the safeguarding of the interests of the two countries would be entrusted to the respective diplomatic representatives of both Soviet-Russia and Hungary in a third country.

It is, moreover, confirmed in Hungarian circles that M. Litvinov actually had a talk with Hungarian envoy to-day.

The impression prevails in Moscow diplomatic circles that the drastic and sudden step towards Hungary is intended as a warning to other States which might in future join the anti-Comintern Pact.

Special attention is paid to the fact that Japan is definitely mentioned in the official communique as one of the "aggressive anti-Comintern Powers."—*Trans-Ocean*.

ber last, in their lust for conquest, brought the world to within an ace of a most dreadful catastrophe, and who, by so-called 'natural' aspirations, recently created a new and extremely dangerous crisis.

"It is in just those countries where the Jews exert no influence whatever, and where the Jews do, not even possess elementary rights.

"If the Jews have been eliminated from national life, this is precisely because their religion, their mentality, their sentiments and their traditions are opposed to every enterprise of aggression and violence, and to every act contrary to the laws of humanity and solidarity between men."—*United Press*.

\$250,000 FOR GOVT. SHIPS

FOUR NEW LAUNCHES, costing \$250,000, are under construction for the Hongkong Government, the "Telegraph" learns.

These vessels have been ordered by the Harbour Department.

Included in the orders is a new launch for the Postal Department, to be used for conveying mails across the harbour to and from Kowloon, and to and from ships in mid-stream.

Another launch, when commissioned, will replace the old Police Launch No. 10, while a third vessel will replace the Harbour Department launch No. 4.

The fourth vessel, which is being constructed at a cost of \$90,000, will be used as a control launch at Kai Tak Airport.

ALFONSO CONGRATULATES INSURGENTS

Eulogistic Telegram To Franco

BURGOS, Feb. 2.
EX-KING ALFONSO of Spain, and his son, Don Juan, today exchanged telegrams with General Franco on the occasion of the fall of Barcelona.

The message from King Alfonso reads as follows: "My enthusiastic and heartfelt congratulations, also to the whole glorious army led by Your Excellency, and my gratitude as a Spaniard, together with the assurance of my devotion and of my confidence in the re-awakening of our country."

General Franco replied: "Most grateful for your congratulations and your tribute to the army, as well as for the assurance of your devotion and of your confidence. I send sincere and hearty greetings."

It is stated that the telegram exchanged between Don Juan and General Franco were couched in equally cordial terms.—*Trans-Ocean*.

LOYALIST APPEAL DISALLOWED

The House of Lords, as the supreme court of appellate judgment, to-day disallowed the appeal lodged by the Spanish Loyalist Government against the judgment of the Court of Appeal, confirming the arrest of the Spanish steamer *Arantzazu Mendi*, in British waters.

The steamer, which belonged to a Spanish insurgent owner had been requisitioned by the Loyalist Government, claiming to be the only legal authority in Spain, whereupon, at the demand of the owner, she was placed "under arrest" in a British port.

The judgment of the House of Lords is important since, following the previous decision of the Court of Appeal, it expressly recognises the insurgent Government as the Government of a sovereign, independent State.—*Trans-Ocean*.

DEMONSTRATIONS IN NEW YORK

New York, Feb. 2.
Between 10,000 and 12,000 people demonstrated last night in front of the Italian consulate in Fifth Avenue, demanding the repeal of the Spanish embargo.

The demonstration tied up traffic downtown, and the efforts of 200 police, parade permits had been issued for 3,000 only, and the authorities indicated that the police had been instructed to handle the crowd gently.

No casualties were reported although pictures in the morning papers indicated the frequent use of night-sticks.—*United Press*.

SILS OCCUPIED

Burgos, Feb. 2.
General Franco's legionary of mixed corps, advancing on Gerona, today occupied Sils, 12 miles from its

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6.14 Record: The Scene Changes (Billy Hill);... Hildegard with Fritz (Hilary and Bligh);... Hildegard (Vocal) at the Piano.

6.21 (a) Change Partners; (b) Mama's Gone Good-bye; (c) Where in the world; (d) Rhythm Mad.

6.35 Records: Free (film "O-Key For Sound"); Night Must Fall (film "The Tenth Man");... Quentin M. Madigan at the Organ; The Squirrel Dance (Smith);... Rudy Starita (Xylophone) with Piano, Accordion and Saxophone.

6.44 (a) You and Me; (b) Old Apple Tree; (c) My Own; (d) Rhythm Excursion.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

Export Credits For China

London, Feb. 2.
Replying to the debate in the House of Commons to-day on the Export Guarantees Bill, Mr. R. A. Hudson said that if there were demands for railway and other equipment for China, he thought a transaction of the order and magnitude he had in mind would require terms of credit so lengthy, as hardly to fall within the purview of the Bill.

If it were decided to do something of that nature, the House might be sure that a special Bill would be brought in.

Mr. Hudson added that there were grave objections from the international viewpoint to publishing the amount allotted to each country.—*Reuter*.

objectively, thus gaining a firm footing in the Gerona province.—*Reuter Special*.

INSURGENTS CONTINUE ADVANCE

Burgos, Feb. 2.
Insurgent troops to-day occupied Berga in the valley of Llobregat.

Loyalist troops are reported to be retreating further on all fronts in the direction of the French frontier. A detailed statement regarding the capture of Berga says that the insurgents advanced on Thursday morning in two columns on the town, completely surrounding the Loyalist garrison, which soon ceased to offer further resistance.

The occupation of Berga brings the insurgent troops in this sector to within 35 miles of the French frontier at Puigcerda.

It is further announced that the Maestrazgo army corps has advanced a considerable distance beyond Vich and has captured the villages of Seva, Taradell, and Ruidopéras, thus enveloping the Mont Seny mountain range in which the Loyalist artillery is entrenched.—*Trans-Ocean*.

7.02 Variety with Leslie Henson. The Hodlars, Leslie James, June Knight and Jack Jackson and His Orchestra.

Piano—Old Fashioned Love—Quickstep; If We Never Meet Again—Slow Fox-Trot... Gerry Moore in Strict Dance Tempo; Vocal—My heart Will Be Dancing (film "The Lilac Domino");... Lilac Domino—Waltz Song (from "The Lilac Domino")....

June Knight (Soprano) with Orchestra and Male Chorus; Dance Orchestra—Sailor Home With The Tide—Waltz; In A Little English Inn—Fox-Trot... Jack Jackson and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Harmonica Duet—Italian Favourites (arr. Hodlars)... The Hodlars; Dance Orchestra—Gypsy... Viola—Fox-Trot; Some Other Time—Fox-Trot... Jack Jackson and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Vocal Refrain; Comedians—Life Begins Again (Flanagan); Where The Archers Used To Be (Flanagan-Nicholl)... Flanagan and Allen with Orchestra; Piano—Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D. 4; Intro: With Plenty of Money and You; Let's Put our Heads Together; Moonlight and Shadow etc.; Charlie Kunz with Rhythm Accompany; Humorous Sketch—The German Commissionaire Scene (from "Seeing Stars")... Leslie Henson and Fred Emney; Cinema Organ—Wedding Of The Painted Doll (film "Broadway Melody"); Medley Of Old Songs... Leslie James playing on the Organ of the Regatta; Cinema, Stamford Hill, London; Dance Orchestra; Love's Just A Melody—Fox-Trot (from "Stop-Go"); Valparaiso—Rumba (film "Dance Band")... Jack Jackson and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.

3.00 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 London Relay—"Under Big Ben".

A talk by Howard Marshall.

8.15 Studio—Jazz Piano Recital by Hal Lorenzo.

1. A-Tisket-A-Tasket; 2. Medley; (a) Serenade to the Stars; (b) Whispering; (c) Love walked in; 3. (a) Rosita-Tango; (b) Cherie-Waltz; (c) Tears in my heart—Tango-Fox-Trot; 4. (a) Says my Heart; (b) You're a Sweetheart; (c) I've got that Foolish Feeling; 5. Medley; (a) C Major Follies; (b) When I Grow too Old to Dream; (c) My Kingdom for a Kiss; 6. China Boy.

8.35 The Duncan Sisters.

Adam and Eve (Duncan Sisters-Granat); Ti-Pi-Tin (Levee-Greave) Sweet Onion Time in Bermuda (Duncan Sisters-Coslow)... accompanied by two stars.

8.45 Harold Ramsay at the Organ.

Rodeo March (Ramsay); Six Great Melodies: Intro: Londonderry Air; Cherry Ripe; Annie Laurie; Black Eyes; Lorelei; O Sole Mio; Popular Melodies; Intro: Alone at a table for two; Alone; I'm all alone; You started me dreaming; The touch of your lips; Good.

9.00 London Relay—"Food For Thought".

Three short talks on matters of topical interest.

9.20 Next week's Programme.

9.30 London Relay—"The News".

9.50 Gerahwin—An American in Paris and "Rhapsody in Blue".

10.00 American in Paris... New Light Symphony Orchestra with George Gerahwin; Rhapsody in Blue... Boston Orchestra conducted by Arthur Felder with J. M. Sanroma at the Piano.

10.20 London Relay—"Empire Variety Theatre".

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11.00 Close Down.

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Captain Thomas Balfour Robert-
son, aged 55 years, late of S.S.
"Kilgobbin." Funeral will pass
Stubbs Road Gate at 5.30 p.m.
this afternoon.The
Hongkong Telegraph.

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February 3, 1939

A Real Axis

THE MOMENTOUS news that
President Roosevelt has
pledged American support to
democracy in the case of a war
with the Totalitarian countries
should have a sobering in-
fluence upon those who favour
the use of force in international
affairs.It is quite understandable
that America should announce
her policy, for as a great de-
mocracy, she naturally feels it
her duty to do all in her power
to assist other democratic coun-
tries which may be threatened.The freedom of the subject
is the very corner-stone of de-
mocratic principles, and any
movement which threatens to
challenge that freedom must be
vigorously opposed.The wave of nationalism,
which has swept through Ger-
many and Italy has created a
danger which cannot be over-
looked. Nationalism in itself is
an admirable quality, but when
it becomes so revolutionary in
nature as to constitute a men-
ace to others, the others may
rightly be expected to take
every possible safeguard in the
interest of self-preservation.If Germany considers that
she has been singled out as the
main threat to democracy, she
has only herself to blame. The
public utterances made by her
masters have had anything but
a soothing effect on the rest of
the world, and it naturally
follows that when danger is
supposed to exist, it is only
logical and sensible that those
likely to be affected should or-
ganize united action for resis-
tance.The United States will do
everything possible to keep out
of war, and rightly so. Ameri-
can Statesmen have followed
events in Europe with some
apprehension, and there can be
no doubt that from the Presi-
dent downwards, they are fully
aware of the policies which are
at the root of the trouble in
Europe to-day.At the moment, the American
support must have tremendous
moral effect, for by aligning the
United States with Great Britain
and France, the rest of the world
is told in no uncertain manner
that the greatest combination
of power ever known is to be
marshalled as the force to
guide the hot-headed to the
path of universal Peace.MAN—
or Men?

BY WILL SCOTT

Shakespeare, Henry
VIII, Cromwell, Lloyd
George—definitely
themselves.IN all the muddle of to-day
few people seem to be quite
clear as to where mankind
is supposed to be heading,
although plenty will tell you
that mankind is heading, and
pretty rapidly. It would be a
bit easier if we knew what man-
kind is for. Then we might
know if it's heading right or
wrong.It's easy with sheep and such.
A sheep is meant to be a sheep—
mutton and overcoats. When a
sheep has become a good fat sheep
it's got as far as it can go. It never
tries to be anything more than a
good fat sheep.A racehorse is meant to be a
racehorse and nothing but. When
it has won the Derby it's done all
you can expect of it. But with
men you never know. They go off
in all directions.One will suddenly get up one
morning and design St. Paul's
Cathedral. Another will discover
the South Pole. A third will add
up another man's figures and get
bread and butter for doing it. A
fourth will dive into the Serpen-
tine every day, summer and win-
ter.Some, even, sit in barrels and let
people peep at them for a penny.
It's a pity more don't. I won't
mention any names. In the old
days the idea was to be differ-
ent. You developed yourself,
or tried to. If your neighbour
did one thing you did another.
That was the root of the wholesystem. You "didn't want to be
like old Brown."Nowadays, if your neighbour does
one thing, so do you. You don't
like to be different. You don't like
to be thought different. "It isn't
done."I'm prepared to be proved wrong,
but I believe that if the human
race had always been as shy as it
is to-day of the things that "aren't
done" the first pages of all the
history books would still be blank
paper. Better for that? Maybe
you're right.heaven of our time. Are we to be-
come, in the end, a herd, like the
sheep? Or not?Already we are well on the way.
Millions wearing the same coloured
shirts, raising our right arms,
shouting the same shouts.Or, even when we're not forced
to do so, wearing the same sort of
hats, because the man next door
does. "Everybody's doing it..."Man or Men? Perhaps the world
is making up its mind. But, as I
said in the first place, I can't make
up mine. I know which side I'm
on. I may be on the wrong side. I
can't tell. Time will.I'm quite aware of some of the
drawbacks of Individualism. I
know that it means the best man
wins, and when you have a man
who wins, you've got to have a man
who loses, and losing isn't so nice.
I'm quite aware of some of the ad-
vantages of the herd.Perhaps when we're all alike,
with no differences at all, we'll find
we've got nothing to quarrel about.
Just turning us all into sheep may
bring peace to earth at last. Sheep
have a pretty peaceful time, I
notice. Men don't. Well, they
haven't had so far.And perhaps that's what men
are meant to be in the end: all
alike. It won't be in my time or
yours, but it may be in somebody's.HOWEVER. Away in
the dim past Individ-
ualism used to be en-
couraged. If a man
stood on his head in a
pond nobody tried to
steal his thunder. They
gave him the credit. They
told their children and their children's
children, generation after genera-
tion, about the Man Who Stood on
his Head in the Pond. He became
a legend.To-day if a man stood on his
head in a pond you'd have half
the Western Hemisphere at it by
to-morrow morning. "Coming in,
old man? But you must. Every-
body's doing it."Crowds of them. All standing on
their heads in ponds. Not a bad
idea either, perhaps, if you give it
careful thought.Discovering America was a job
for one man four hundred years
ago. Discovering places like Frin-
ton is a job for half Mayfair now.
A one-man discovery would be a
wash-out. A one-man anything.
"Everybody's doing it..." That's
the modern idea.The old system turned out people
like Shakespeare and Henry the
Eighth and Whistler and Guy
Fawkes and Hall Caine and Abrah-
am Lincoln and Napoleon and
Queen Elizabeth and Charles Peace
and Dr. Johnson. Good, bad and
the other sort, but definitely them-
selves.The new system, as I see it, is
out to put a stop to all that. I
don't know if it knows it, but that
is all the present system is for.Behind the clashing ideas and
the clashing nations of this age,
behind all the strife and the
dozens of -isms, I firmly believe
there is that one fundamental
thing carrying all the other
troubles on its back: the question,
is the human race to become in the
end Men, different, individuals,
like men on a chess-board, or Man,
a mass, uniform, one like the rest,
like men on a draught-board?
I do firmly believe that that is
down underneath most of the up-FOR centuries and cen-
turies we've been im-
pelled by Individual-
ism. Little groups,
little sects, families,
pairs, persons, separate
ideas, lonely adven-
tures, individual achievements. It
may have been all wrong. For the
life of me I cannot honestly say.
Perhaps the ultimate herd is what
mankind is for.All Smiths. Or Browns. Or
Robinsons.There's one thing that strikes
me. Even in the countries where
the herd idea is strongest there are
just one or two who refuse to join
the herd. They have a high old
time running the herd. They are
the individuals who have killed In-
dividualism. Except their own. A
crafty notion.A world full of sheep in a
meadow called the world. It's an
idea. But I wonder if it's interest-
ing being sheep.Take a representative half-
dozen men from the age that was.
Alfred the Great, Thorias Becket,
William Shakespeare, Oliver Crom-
well, Charles the Second, Lloyd
George. Take a representative
half-dozen men from the age that
may be. Smith. Smith. Smith.
Smith. Smith. Smith. I wonder.Old School
Ties..

by Spike Hughes

EVERY six months or so I
have the same night-
mare. I dream I am back
at school.I wake up in the morning in a
cold sweat to find comparative
paradise in a world that demands
no more of me than that I should
pay my income-tax.I was by no means miserable at
school. I was a damn nuisance to
everybody, but I had a lot of fun.
One thing is certain, however: I
have never pretended to anyone
that my school days were The
Happiest Days of My Life.What was psychology that tag
is, anyway, suggesting to children
that they will never be happier
than when they are struggling
with cube roots and irregular
verbs.Last week I was invited by the Old
Boys' Society of my school as guest
at their annual dinner. I accepted wil-
lingly. With the exception of my com-
panion—who drove down to Cambridge
with me—I had seen few of my school-
fellows during the past eleven years.It might have been a grim and
dreary experience. It turned out to be
enjoyable, amusing and slightly bizarre.To begin with, I suddenly found
myself back among people who, in spite
of the "Daily Herald" and the radio,
still thought of me as "Patrick" in-
stead of "Spike".The very mention of radio gave me a
shock, anyway. When I had last seen
these young men who were at dinner
the "Wireless" had meant nothing
more than the Morse code.Yet here they were, fifteen years
after, talking glibly about "Monday at
Seven" and asking me if I'd met Mr.
Ogilvie.The oddest moments of all were the
first moments of reunion. Faces seemed
vaguely familiar; a name would be
mentioned and after that it was easy.There was young Reagle. He is
younger than I and even thinner on
top; he was smoking a cigarette, speak-
ing in a deep bass voice. It was diffi-
cult to remember him as my right
centre when I had played on the wing
and we had knocked hell out of a boy
who later got a cap for Wales.A hearty, military-looking fellow
came up to me. He has a fair mous-
tache now and is in the Territorials. He
reminded me of his name. But all I
could remember on hearing it was the
picture of a very small child indeed
winning cups for diving against all
comers.It went on like this for a long time.
A name, a face and they produced the
strangest associations: the angle of a
school cap, the shape of a bicycle,
a younger brother who'd put his ride
through my drum one Field Day.I could see nobody as a composite
character, but only as a provider of
incidents which for some reason had
stayed in my memory.

"What are you doing now?" The

question brought strange answers
with it.John, for instance. He is a stock-
broker; he went into the job before he
realized how deadly it could be. Now
he can't get out. But in his spare time
he runs a hostel in Bloomsbury for
young down and outs.Alfred is a Don. He leads a secluded
life with his wife and his Greek
epigrams. Francis works at television,
which he reached by way of Hollywood,
a repertory company in Santa Barbara,
Cal., and building a French chateau for
a millionaire in Italy.I liked less some of the answers I
got to the inevitable "What's hap-
pened to you?"One child I remembered had been
killed fighting with the International
Brigade in Spain; another had been
killed in a car smash in Aden; yet
another had shot himself in Gibraltar—
he was a handsome, charming boy
too, who surely needn't have worried
over a love affair.There were other tragedies as well,
some noble, some oddly sordid.As the evening went on there was
a strange melancholy about most of
us. No sighing for Good Old Days,
but the stark realization that the
school, which was founded in 1016, had
somehow served its purpose.We began to realise that if they had
not been The Happiest Days of our
Life, at least our schooldays had been
more intelligently supervised than
most.Our headmaster, the languages
master, the English master had
brought to education not only what is
called the Direct Method of teaching
classics and languages, but something
immensely personal which had made
our school unique.Oh yes, we produced our Blues and
our Rugger internationals; but above
all we produced boys who were good
democrats, who loved the English lan-
guage, to whom the plays of Shake-
speare, Euripides and Molière were liv-
ing experiences, to whom being edu-
cated was (the English have the only
word for it) Fun.We were melancholy because, from
all accounts, none of this tradition has
remained. Three great educationalists
have retired: "The Old Man" to his
farm, the languages master to his house
at Granchester, the English master to
his memories of our enjoying Shake-
speare in a theatre instead of reciting
him in a classroom.I was asked to make a speech, but
I refused. When I was there we had
Serbian, Frenchmen, Belgians, In-
dians, Burmese, Chinese, Japanese,
Americans, Jews from Byria and Spain,
two boys from Vladivostok and one
from Siam.If I had spoken, I would have said
that in that school of ours, though we
were only children, we were bound by
three great old school ties: tolerance,
equality and justice.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I suppose you'd rather I'd let that truck-driver intimidate me!"

SHOT EMBARRASSES
HUNTERNILES, O.
A hunter shot at a rabbit he saw
peering over the edge of a pile of
boxes and rushed to pick up his game.
He found only a rabbit's head—
which jokester friends had placed on
the boxes.SHARKS ATTACK
WHALEDURBAN, South Africa.
While playing on the beach near
here school children saw a battle be-
tween a huge whale and several
sharks only 100 yards from the shore.
Attacked from all sides, the whale
was torn to pieces.

HIGH AWARD FOR DOCKYARD CHIEF

Italian Decoration For Mr. Cock Who Floated Conte Verde

A HAPPY CEREMONY took place at noon to-day aboard the Italian liner Conte Verde when Mr. E. Cock, M.B.E., A.M.I.C.E., M.I.N.A., head of the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., received the insignia of the Order of Knight Commander of the Crown of Italy.

The decoration was bestowed by the Marquis G. Pagano di Melito, Italian Consul General in Hongkong in the presence of a large gathering.

The award was made in gratitude for Mr. Cock's services in securing the re-floating and repairing of the Conte Verde in good time when she was stranded outside Lyceum Pass in the typhoon of September 2, 1937.

Recipients of the Order are entitled to call themselves Commanders.

There was a large gathering to see Mr. Cock initiated into the Order. Capt. H. S. Batty-Smith represented I.E., the Governor while Commodore E.B.C. Dielen and Mrs. Dielen, the I.D.A. Mr. N. L. Smith, representatives of Government and business firms, all members of the Legislative and Executive Councils attended.

Capt. Alcide Valenti, Commander of the Conte Verde, Capt. G. B. Scarpa and Mrs. Scarpa attended the presentation. Mrs. Cock, wife of the recipient, was present.

Refreshments were served and ship's band played the Italian and British National Anthems.

Capt. Valenti recalling the circumstances of the grounding of the Conte Verde said some thirty steamers and hundreds of junks were ashore during the typhoon. The Conte Verde's

help I got from Mr. Craig, our Chief Naval Architect, whose quick and accurate calculations gave me confidence. The work on board was under Mr. Sweeney's direction. It was done with imagination, energy and foresight. I was going to add that but this was never necessary due to the happy co-operation we received from the Captain, Chief Officer, Chief Engineer and others. The Ship's Carpenter deserves special mention. Mr. Popoff, our Diver, did magnificent work, and our matchless Chinese riggers were just their usual selves. Mr. Bryant with his vast experience was specially helpful and gave us very great assistance. I ought to mention others but my little speech would become a catalogue, there is gentleman, Captain Scarpa, whom I must thank. Captain Scarpa was patient and understanding and his contribution to our success was a very considerable one.

We divided the operations into two parts, the first to lighten and float the fore end and drag it into deep water and secondly to load the fore end by hanging large tanks or cranes, and by filling up the foremost lower hold, so lifting and releasing the stern. All that was necessary for success was that the Good Lord should send the tide, which he did a day early in the case of the first move, but fortunately we were ready. On the night of the second operation I think we all felt we had received our reward when on ordering tugs to start towing I was hailed from the forecastle head that the wires were coming in and ship moving.

And now I get this magnificent bestowal of thanks to crown it all (Applause).

After toasts had been taken to the Emperor of Italy, a number of those present were guests of the Captain to lunch on board the ship.

ALLEGED FRAUD IN CAR SALE

Man Charged With Uttering Forgery

Charged with uttering to Tsang Wan-chung, a clerk, a forged receipt for the sale of a motor car, with intent to defraud, Ka Sai-man, a 25-year-old unemployed man, appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Mr. T. G. Stokes attached to Police Headquarters, said that in the register of private vehicles, the transfer of a car from a D. Davies to Ka Sai-man was mentioned.

Richard Wong of Gilman's, said that in November 1937, Ka Sai-man went to the office of his company with John Leung, a broker, and went out for a trial in a car. Two days later, Ka paid a deposit of \$250 to Gilman's for the car, which was sold to Ka on the instalment plan.

Defendant in evidence said he bought the car through John Leung and had paid him the total amount, which was \$1,200. Ka further stated that he did not sell the car to the complainant, but mortgaged it to him.

The hearing was adjourned to Monday, noon.

Committed To Sessions

One Of Three Accused Calls Witnesses

Abdulla Rashid, 21, Abdul Caramat, 20, and Carlos Xavier da Cruz, 32, of Shanghai were all three committed to the Criminal Sessions when the preliminary hearing of the case in which the three were charged with highway robbery was concluded before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

The three accused are alleged to have robbed a man named Yau Tin-sung of \$6 on the hillside at Ngau Chi Wan, Kowloon City on January 10.

The case for the prosecution was concluded yesterday afternoon, after several witnesses testified with regard to the identification of the three men. The case was then adjourned until this morning because the third defendant, Cruz, said that he wished to call two witnesses to give evidence on his behalf.

This morning, Mr. E. de Rocha of Messrs. Wallace Harper and Company, said that at 10 a.m. on January 10, the day the incident is alleged to have taken place, Cruz asked a friend for some money saying that he wished to go to Kai Tak to look for a friend. Witness handed him \$2.

Mr. M. A. Gomez also gave evidence on behalf of Cruz. Witness stated that on the night before the incident, he had promised to give defendant a letter to a friend of his in order to enable Cruz to find some work.



Pupils of the George Goncharoff School of Dance as they appeared in the recent ballet presentation at the King's Theatre.

Civilian Shadow Plan For Great Britain

LONDON, Feb. 2. A COMPREHENSIVE SCHEME for the organisation of civil defence, involving the provisional appointment of regional political governors, is announced by Sir John Anderson.

The plan is practically complete and will exist in shadow form in peacetime, ready to operate immediately in an emergency.

A Regional Commissioner, "a man of national understanding, capable of undertaking the great responsibility" will be appointed in each of ten British regions, and one each for Wales and Scotland.

In the event of a region becoming shut off from the centre of Government, the Commissioners will exercise the full authority of the Government.

There will be an effective link between the civil and military authorities, and the powers of the Commissioners will not extend to military matters.

The scheme also provided devolution in the A.R.P. organisation by the creation of 38 regional officers to enable treatment of local problems on the spot, and to lessen the need for appeal to the central department.

The Regional Commissioners will be provided with a war staff, consisting of A.R.P. regional officers and representatives of all Government departments concerned with civil defence, like health, transport, and food. The Commissioners in peacetime will maintain frequent contact with representatives of all the relevant Government departments. This, in effect, amounts to peace-time meetings of the war staff.

The degree of control exercised by the Commissioners was time would vary according to the extent to which communications were affected, but in case of need, the region will function as self-contained.—Reuter.

DEFENCE PROGRESS

LONDON, Feb. 2. The Prime Minister, in a statement in the House of Commons to-day said that the Re-Armament Advisory Board of business men had reported that the service departments supported by the Treasury were rapidly accomplishing a most difficult task of great complexity with efficiency, foresight and extent, in some cases establishing practically new industries in the country.

The panel felt that the magnitude of the effort being made was altogether insufficiently realised by the country as a whole and the results hitherto obtained could not have been achieved without the whole-hearted co-operation of industry operating on a peace-time basis.

The panel felt that on the evidence submitted to them that most of the gaps in the defence equipment of the country had been, or were being filled as rapidly as possible.

Further A.R.P. progress was revealed in answers to other questions.

Mr. Walter Elliott announced that plans had been made to provide for about 200,000 beds in existing hospitals within 24 hours of an emergency. Another 100,000 could be found later by using the auxiliary parts of the hospitals not at present used as wards.

Sir John Anderson, dealing with fire-fighting apparatus stated that hitherto 3,600 appliances including trailer pumps and self-propelled units had been delivered, and since the September crisis very large orders had been placed as part of the measures to accelerate production.—Reuter.

Japan's Navy Ready For All Emergencies

Tokyo, Feb. 2. The Navy Minister, Admiral Yonai, stated to-day that the Japanese navy's readiness to cope with any emergency arising in the Pacific was "all inclusive." This statement was made after an interpreter had asked whether there were sufficient supplies to deal with any crisis.—United Press.

Mr. C. Y. Kwan, well-known Hong-kong collector, of No. 10 Homantin Avenue, has reported to the police that a thief last night stole money and clothing to the value of \$770 when the marauder forced his way into Mr. Kwan's house.

TWO GIRLS JOIN JUNK ADVENTURE

Voyage Across The Pacific To U.S.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 2.

TWO GOOD-LOOKING Russian girls, who were formerly cocktail bar hostesses, Lubu Schennikoff aged 23, and Olga Alksne, aged 22, are accompanying a crew of eight men on a round-the-world Chinese junk trip aboard the "Adventure," which left for Manila yesterday morning.

The junk is the one which started from Shanghai on December 30, but which was forced to return when pirates raided the drinking water tank with bullets.

The crew is practically the same, consisting of Captain Rakich, a Czechoslovakian, Leo Tomashevsky, a Russian-French policeman and former Shanghai sprinting champion, Leo Rudchenko, another Russian-French policeman and former 440 yards running champion, Diakoff, Vinokuroff, and Komar, Russians, Dzail a Latvian, and Kireeff, a Tartar.

The "Adventure" is going first to Manila, and thence expects to sail to the Celebes, Java, Dutch East Indies, and ports en route to New Zealand, from where the junk will go across to San Francisco. It also plans to ship through the Panama, homeward bound via the Mediterranean. It is expected that the trip will last 18 months.—United Press.

China Coast Mariner Dies In Hospital

The death occurred in Kowloon Hospital this morning of Captain Thomas Ballour Robertson, formerly skipper of the Kalapoi, which sank off the Fukien coast last week.

Captain Robertson, who has been an employee of Williams for the last eight years, was 55 years of age. He had been ill for about a week. He was well-known up and down the China coast, and was regarded as an exemplary officer.

His leaves a widow, who is in Tasmania.

The funeral will take place this afternoon, entering the Stubbs Road gate at 5.30 p.m.

Congress Approves Relief Vote

Washington, Feb. 2. Congress to-day finally approved the \$725,000,000 relief appropriation to carry on the Works Progress Administration's programme until June 30.

The Bill has been sent to the White House for signature.—Reuter.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others? muchair squarable mountbank squandamania English Oxford Dictionary spelling of these words will be found on page 9.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

The German Government has disavowed any intention of annexing Samoa or of interfering with the rights of Treaty Powers.

The new "Shiao" line steamer Finschire attained a speed of close upon 14 knots in her trial trip on the Clyde.

Prado, who was guillotined at Paris the other day, is now stated to have been natural son of General Prado, President of Peru from 1876 to 1879. He once stayed for some time in Hongkong. We wonder if any resident recollects a man who was one of the most atrocious murderers of any age!

25 YEARS AGO

Public spirit is evidently not wanting in Hongkong. Five days ago it was announced that Mr. Ellis Kadoorie had generously come forward with an offer of \$16,000, or, if needs be, \$20,000, for the establishment of the Helena May Institute for Women, provided a like sum were subscribed within a period of years. In our leading article of Thursday last we expressed the belief that this condition would surely be complied with. Our expectations have been handsomely realised—and that within less than a week, too. For it will be seen by our news columns to-day that Mr. H. Komatsu, who has come forward with the magnificent offer of \$6,000, while Mr. Lau Chu-pak has generously subscribed \$2,000.

When there is so much about it in the home papers, it is interesting to have an opportunity of seeing the hotly-discussed "Steps" of the Tango dance in Hongkong. Those who have not yet done so, have yet an opportunity to-night and to-morrow night of visiting the Victoria Theatre and witnessing the performance of the Sisters Collier.

Although performed quite prettily by these two clever sisters, we fail to see how any one can be found to assert that the Tango is unsuggestive.

Per a.s. Anshul from Shanghai on the 2nd Inst.—Capt. Pottinger, Meadows.

Per a.s. P. Ludwig from Yokohama on 2nd Inst.—H. H. Priestley, Heard, Hans Koch, H. Gauthier, Dindall, Sir H. W. de Saumarez, Lady Saumarez, E. Rieck, D. R. Goldenberg, A. Wolf, W. Dutton, G. F. Berrelna, Miss M. Enomura, Miss N. Enomura, Mrs. Altman.

Per a.s. P. Waldeemar from Sydney on the 3rd Inst.—Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rule, Kom, Mrs. Hann Schurlock, H. Fischer, Dr. Scholze, H. Meyer, Frieder Staus, Miss L. Ellis, A. W. Vennables, Joas Ananupia.

10 YEARS AGO

Details of the first high-powered monoplane fighting machine to be built in Britain have just been released by the Air Ministry.

The new air fighter is known as the Westland Horsa-fighter and bombing plane. Driven by a single 480 h.p. Rolls-Royce engine, it can maintain a speed of 120 m.p.h. in the level and two miles above earth level. It carries two machine guns firing through the fuselage, and in addition has a load of light bombs.

5 YEARS AGO

The word "whisky" is a term for spirits which is peculiar to England and Scotland and therefore must not be used for similar spirits produced and sold in Germany. This was the decision made known to-day by the Supreme Court thus ending a protracted legal dispute in an action brought by British firms of whisky distillers against a German firm.

The Admiralty have now promulgated an additional scheme "for voluntary retirement" of naval officers. Gratuitous are offered.

The following statement on the scheme has been issued: "In August last, the Admiralty issued to the Press a statement explaining that, owing to the excess of senior Lieutenants and Lieutenant-Commanders, they had reluctantly been compelled to retire to a certain number of officers of these ranks that it would not be possible to give them further employment."

As a contribution to the "Safety First" Campaign, the Kowloon Road Association, in conjunction with the Hongkong Automobile Association, is making suggestions to the Government for more effective street lighting, with a view to minimizing the danger of road accidents at night.

A feature of the suggestions being made is that a new type of illumination, by means of gaseous discharge lamps, should be instituted in place of the present gas-filled filament lamps.

Information to this effect was secured by the Telegraph yesterday afternoon, in the course of an interview with Mr. C. E. Terry, President of the K.I.A.

Mr. Terry stated that there has been brought into operation in many parts of Kowloon a new method of street lighting by what are known as gaseous discharge lamps, which have been shown to be not only more effective but also more economical, providing two or three times more light with the same average consumption.

It would, said Mr. Terry, be a great advantage if this system of lighting were introduced into this Colony. Accordingly, it is being suggested to the Government that a start be made with the main thoroughfares, one on the mainland and the other on the island, with subsequent extension to all lighted thoroughfares.

VAN HARDING SHIRTS WITH DETACHABLE COLLARS TO MATCH



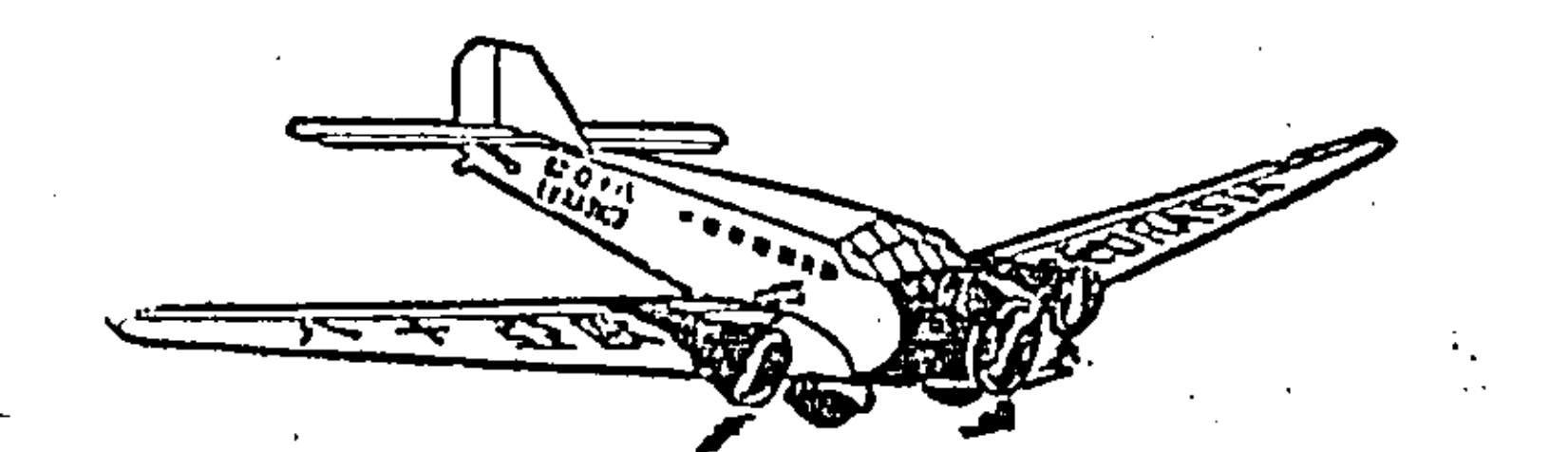
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MR. EU TONG-SEN TRYING HARD TO WIN THE DERBY

HAS SOME GOOD ANIMALS FOR ANNUAL MEET

(By "Captain Foster")

Mr. Eu Tong-sen has been trying very hard for the last few years to annex the Blue Riband, but like many other unfortunate owners he has not met with success.

The Singapore millionaire has left no stone unturned for the forthcoming annual big meeting and it is interesting to reveal that Mr. Eu is well armed with quantity and quality. From a list of Derby griffins issued by the Hongkong Jockey Club, Mr. Eu is the registered owner of Blue Express, Daytona, English Cavalier, Grey Knight, Morning Glory, Prince Charming, Rose Charming, Rose Elba, Rose Elect, Rose Flann, Rose Louise, Rose Marian, and Rose Supreme and it will be observed that he has a string of only 14 China ponies. How many of them have been entered for the Hongkong Derby, I have not been able to ascertain, but there is no doubt that the best of his animals is Rose Elect with Blue Express and English Cavalier in the back row. Of course this ranking list is made by the writer under careful observation and I sincerely hope I am not far wrong in my judgment.

It will be recalled that in 1935 this Rose-Queen (Mr. V. Needa) lost the exclusive event by half-a-length to Herod ridden by Mr. W. H. Davis, but in the following year Rosemary (an expensive candidate) went lame at the eleventh hour and in the circumstance the Singapore philanthropist had not a good substitute to represent his silk in the Hongkong Derby. The kept-over griffin, Rosemary, was made a ragging favorite for the 1937 endurance test, but she gave a disappointing display, finishing fourth. It was generally expected last Spring that Desert Chief, with Mr. Encarnacion in the saddle, was almost a certainty to register his first classic win for Mr. Eu Tong-sen, but the chestnut stallion had to bow to Mr. Eric Muller's Silky by three lengths.

A FINE RUN

There was an enthusiastic crowd of racing men at Happy Valley last Saturday watching the griffin races of the Australian and China ponies over short and long distances, but I was indeed surprised to see a small group of about two dozen students of form turning up on Sunday morning. Those who were present were delighted with a treat by Mr. Eu Tong-sen's griffin (Rose Elect) who was asked to show her capability as a runner over the champion hunt of 1 1/4 miles. There were not many ponies on the course when Rose Elect came to the clatter track and this naturally afforded the rail birds a golden opportunity to follow her gallop with close attention. With Mr. C. Encarnacion in the saddle, Rose Elect took 2:38 1/5 to cover the whole distance and the chestnut mare centered the last half-a-mile in 1:00 1/5 with 20 1/5 seconds for the last stanza which was not too bad for a greenhorn of this season. It was, I believe, one of the fastest

AUSTRALIAN PONIES NOW IN LIMELIGHT

Several Australian ponies of this season's bunch have come forward in the limelight and I was delighted to see the return of Mr. Donald Black, who has just come back from home leave. The laddie is looking hardy and hearty, and we may be sure we Donald has not lost his sense of balance and strength of grip. It is reliably learned that he is going to pilot Mr. B. W. Bradbury's string of ponies at the Annual Carnival.

We all know that he has a good pair of hands for the dumb friends from the Antipodes and Mr. Black was out very early on Janber, who was given a good spin over the champion course last Saturday. The chestnut mare took 2:40 4/5 to travel the circuit and the home stretch was covered in 23 3/5 seconds finishing on the bit. The last half-a-mile was negotiated in 58 seconds flat and the mile was journeyed in 2:06 4/5 which was the first decent gallop that the mare had been asked to do. This, however, seemed to confirm the impression, which I mentioned in my notes of January 20, that Janber by Foxton had the makings of a fine galloper and it will not surprise me to see the mare among the first three in the Roto-Hill Derby.

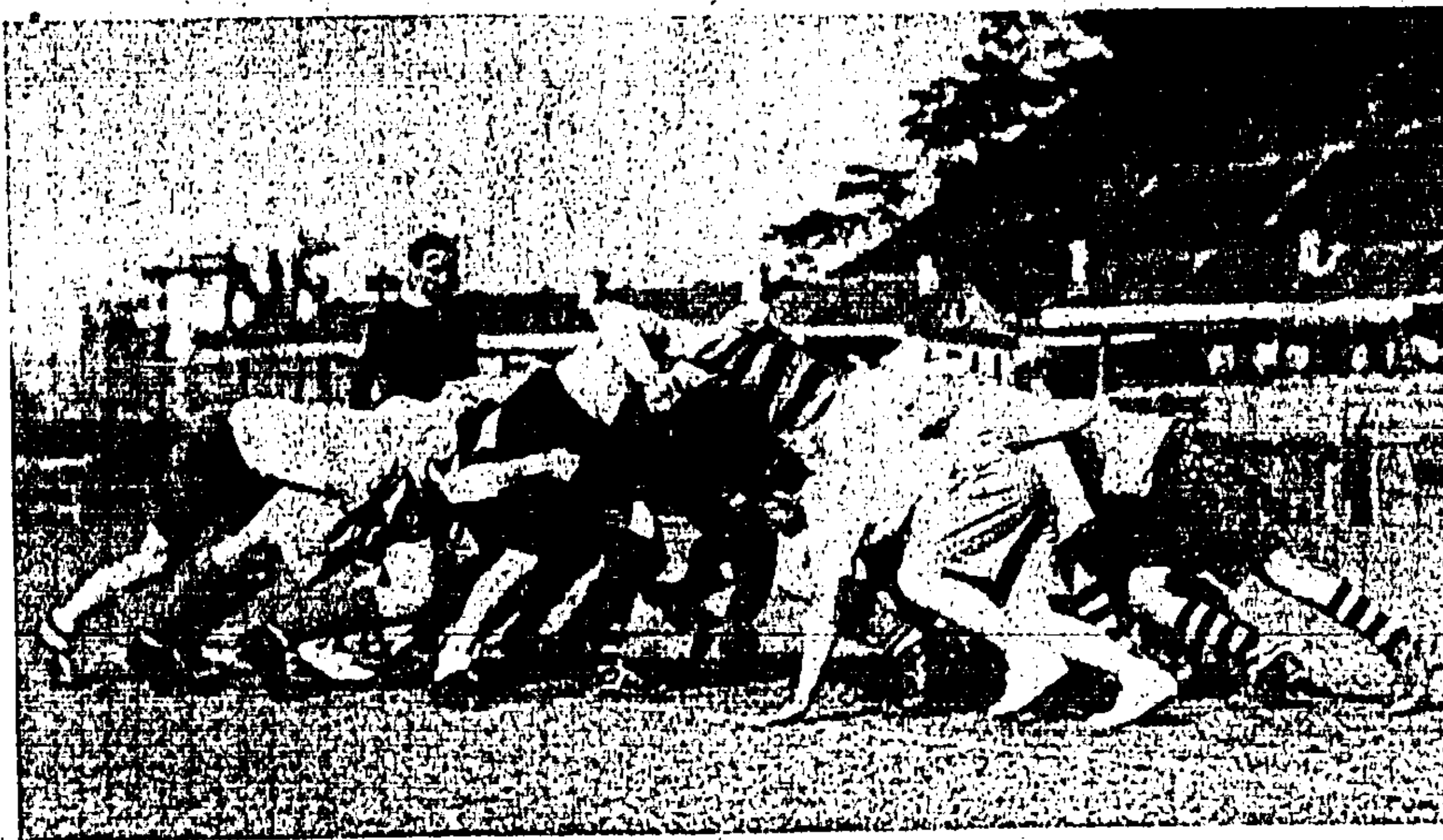
The star gallop of last week was by Chiltern belonging to Mr. Eu Tong-sen, who must have found an interesting little hunt over 1 1/4 miles in 2:31 with Mr. Poy in the saddle. It was the best of this season and it may be worthy of notice that this brown gelding was by Tom McCarthy, who sired Lucky Lad the winner of the Autumn Champions. The youngster was full of running at the end and Chiltern's last mile was 1:57 2/5 flying home in 23 4/5 seconds.

Lady Northcote's Devonian was also sent over the same route, but unfortunately the first quarter of the run was not timed and in the circumstance it is not possible to predict what was the actual time in covering 1 1/4 miles. It must have been pretty fast, for Devonian's last mile was clocked exactly two minutes, the last quarter being 28 3/5 seconds and the last half of the circle was tramped in 58 seconds.

China Ponies Give Trainers A Tough Time

Training among the China ponies subscription griffins of this season is giving, without exception, all the trainers a tough job. Anxiety among the owners to see what their nags can do is another obstacle against the grain and I have not so far seen a sub-griffin with a good finish should the mile gallop be inside 2:25.

The best gallop to date over a mile was done by February Fourth in 2:17, but the home run was 33 seconds flat and the black fellow was hard ridden by Mr. S. C. Liang. Last Saturday Tiny Tim did a decent centurion over the champion course in 2:57 2/5 but the last quarter was no better than 33 1/5 seconds. Port Rush (Mr. B. Proulx) and Sports Venture (Mr. Encarnacion) went together over a mile in 2:24 4/5, Mrs. Taggart's sub being the better racer and he took 32 1/5 seconds for the last two furlongs.



The Malayan rugby players now in Hongkong took their practice on the Club ground yesterday very seriously. Here they are seen getting down to it. The forwards are a hefty bunch and should give their side the advantage in the set scrums and the line-outs.—Staff Photographer.

Here And There With "Abe"

Manila Preparing For Interport With H.K.

TWENTY-EIGHT players have been picked by the Manila Football League to undergo training for the purpose of selecting a side to represent the Philippines in the first Manila-Hongkong Interport to be played in the Colony during the Chinese New Year holidays. The Chinese New Year holidays. The names of the players were announced last week following a meeting of the officials of the League. Of the 28 selected, four are goal-keepers, four are full backs, seven half-backs and 13 are forwards. Following the series of try-outs which have been arranged, a team of 16 players will be chosen to make the trip to Hongkong. Coach Dionisio Calvo of the La Salle College has been selected by the officials of the Manila Amateur Football League to head the delegation. An experienced soccer coach, it is confidently expected that Mr. Calvo will be able to get the best out of his men. The team will leave Manila on February 14 and is expected to return on February 27 by the s.s. Biancamano. On the return trip, the Manila players will go to Macao to play one game there. To help Coach Calvo in the final selection of the team, a special committee was chosen, made up of Fr. Sergio Martinez of San Beda, Fr. Honorio Munoz of Letran and G. A. Reddyak of the Yeo Athletic Club. Hongkong players will be interested to learn that among the 28 men selected to undergo training is Alex Boissier, the former Shanghai Interport player, who is now resident in Manila. An extremely clever inside forward, Boissier has a very good chance of being chosen to make the trip.

Hyndford Bridge, accompanied by King's Warden, had a steady canter over the Derby course and no doubt Mr. Needa was just feeling out the pony. However I expect to see some fast work over the week end.

China To Compete

A United Press message, published yesterday, stated that China was one of 27 countries which have signified their intention of participating in the 1939 Davis Cup Competition. This announcement has come as a surprise to many people who had thought that owing to the present trouble in the country China would not take part in this year's tournament. China will compete in the European Zone, and will probably be represented by Kuo Sin-chie and W. C. Choy, both of whom are still in Europe. While Kuo has definitely made great strides towards reaching the top of the tennis firmament, it is pleasing to note that Choy has also shown considerable improvement in his game. Last year he met with no inconsiderable success in the various provincial tournaments in England. Kuo's greatest achievement to date, of course, was his victory over "Bunny" Austin in the final of the Bournemouth hardcourt championship last year. No better pair of players can China choose to represent her in this international competition.

Filipinos Also In

ANOTHER pleasing feature of the 1939 Davis Cup competition is the inclusion of the Philippines in the North American Zone. The Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation recently approved the recommendation of the P. I. Lawn Tennis

The center of Markman and Patriotic Day over 8 furlongs in 2:30 was a slow performance and the naturally helped the two barods to run home in 31 seconds. The worse gallop of the morning was by Strath-banchock over the Derby course in 4:22 registering 30 seconds for the straight and I wonder whether Popoff (the Russian trainer) was tired or not at the end?

Soccer

WEST HAM WIN IN RE-PLAY

London, Feb. 2. The second replay in the fourth round of the F. A. Cup competition between West Ham and Tottenham resulted in a win for the former by the odd goal in three after extra time. The match was played at Highbury.

Results of other matches played to-day were:

SECOND DIVISION	
Norwich	1 Sheffield U. 2
THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)	
Walsall	0 Mansfield 0
Newport	2 Notts County 1

CUNNINGHAM WINS HIS MILE RACE

Boston, Mass., Jan. 28. Glenn Cunningham, the Kansas flash, beat Blaine Ridenout by five yards in the mile run of the Knights of Columbus track and field meet to-day, turning in a time of 4 minutes, 15 1/2 seconds. Wayne Ridenout, with a burst of speed in the final 50 yards, finished two feet behind his twin brother.

Allen Tolmich equalled James Allen's indoor record of 5.7 seconds to win the 45-yard hurdles event. Ed Dugger, a Negro from Tufts College, was second.

Ken Clapp of Brown University, equalled the time turned in by Ben Johnson in the national meet last year, 5.4 seconds, to win the 55-yard dash. Frank Zelmetz of Boston College was second.

Don Lash of Indiana won the two-mile run in 9 minutes, 8.8 seconds, beating Tommy Deckard by eight yards.—United Press.

manufacture excuses for them are willing to admit that it is a pity controversy has raised its head in what once was the calm of South Africa.

I heard, most unexpectedly, that Hammond is by no means certain to captain the next M.C.C. side that will tour Australia. The reasons offered as an explanation for this are that except for winning the toss he has not been more than an ordinary leader, and that in indicated cases, such as that of Edrich, he has used his men poorly. The grounds appear to me to be rather unsubstantial, but it is also argued that skippering has induced Hammond to give up his bowling, and that in other respects he is not the ideal captain.

Hammond Criticised

THOSE of us who felt that Test matches between England and Australia were the only fixtures that caused trouble had a shock when loud murmurs of discontent began to seep out of South Africa, writes Trevor Wignall in the Sunday Referee.

Hammond's action in continuing to bat so that he could call for the heavy roller—the assumption being that this might crack up the pitch—and Mitchell's four hours to collect 42 runs were condemned in all the places I visited, and it struck me as singular that the English captain came in for more criticism than the South African batsmen. When cricket was cricket—which was long before the Tests with Australia developed into minor wars—it was considered bad form even to refer to tactics. Many with whom I was acquainted stridently declared that there was no such thing in cricket, but it is to be doubted whether they would make the claim now.

Prohibit Them

I HAVE long regarded Test matches as things that ought to be prohibited, but even those who can

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HEIGHT OF FORWARDS AUGURS WELL FOR MALAYAN RUGBY TEAM

Good Turn Of Speed Should Be Produced By The Wings

(By "Fly-Half")

Yesterday afternoon from 2.30 p.m. onwards, the Malayan Interport rugby players put in some practice on the Club ground.

The forwards are a big lot and appear to out-weight their local opponents. Their two second-row men, F. O. McCall and J. F. M. Rouelle, are about 6 ft. 4 ins. and 6 ft. 5 ins. respectively, and weigh on the average 15 1/2 st. each. There is a big comparison between these two players and the Club second row, Peers and Winkler.

The all round height of the visiting forwards augurs well for their line-out prospects.

The backs appeared to be very nippy, especially the wings from whom a fine turn of speed is expected.

During the very calm voyage to Hongkong, it is learned, the team kept fit doing physical jerks under the expert supervision of Capt. F. W. Simpson. The change of climate, even though it is warm for a Hongkong winter at present, should act as a tonic for the visitors.

All are keen to meet the local players and are taking things very seriously.

Richardson, London and Harper were the backs to take the eye in yesterday's try-out by their smart acceptance of passes and distribution.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, will be present at to-morrow's game and will meet the players five minutes before the match.

Special Homeside Soccer Forecast

The following are the teams specially selected to win in the Home Football programme to-morrow:

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Schmeling Denies Trouble With The German Government

New York, Feb. 2.

Max Schmeling, the German heavyweight boxer, arrived here to-day in an attempt to erase the stain of his one-round knock-out by Joe Louis, the present champion.

He denied he had been in trouble with the German Government, and denied reports that he had threatened to "break Goebbels' neck" if the German Propaganda Minister molested his wife, Anna Ondra. He said he last saw Goebbels about six weeks ago at a dinner.

In response to a question as to whether he had been sent to the United States to prove he was not in a concentration camp, he said "If I were in a concentration camp, I would not be here." He said he had planned to confer with Mike Jacobs, the promoter, to-day.

The German boxer says he is willing to fight anybody. "I plan to stay here from eight to 14 days, but longer if a fight is arranged. I would sure like to fight Louis again. I still think I can beat him," he added.—United Press.

Testimonial Game For Ex-Test Stars

Sydney, Jan. 18. The New South Wales Cricket Association has fixed December 1 to 5 as the date for the Testimonial Match to Australia's ex-test cricketers, W. A. Oldfield and A. F. Kippax.

The match will be played at the Sydney Cricket Ground and will be tendered these players in recognition of their services to the game for some years.

Hockey Six-A-Side Tournament To Be Held

At the monthly meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association Council held yesterday at St. Andrew's Church Hall it was decided to hold a six-a-side Hockey Tournament commencing on April 2. The entries for this tournament close on March 18. Mr. R. Henderson has been appointed manager of the Colony Hockey team to visit Macao on February 19.

The Interport team will play their first practice game against an Indian team on Wednesday, February 8, another game on February 12 against a team to be selected out of the Clubs participating in the Hockey Association Tournament. After the second match, the Interport team will be picked.

W. A. Reed has once again been elected Captain of the Colony team and has also been entrusted with the selection of the team replacing Lt.-Cmdr. Bowerman, who is leaving, on the Selection Committee.

PITY THE WRETCHED ANIMAL!

London, Jan. 15. Racing men will be intrigued by the news from Australia that an electric jockey's whip, which was picked up on a racetrack by a taxi-driver, is being inquired into by the stewards.

It is a cunning contrivance with cleverly concealed coil and battery. It is suspected that the jockey using it does not beat a horse with it, but places the end against neck or hindquarters and presses a switch, thus giving the wretched animal an electric shock and causing it to run like the devil.

This invention heavily out-dates the stick and dangling carrot method, but what is worrying Australian authorities is that the taxi-driver is alleged to have lent the whip to a bookmaker.

It is feared that if use of the electric whip becomes general among bookmakers, they will be able, by employing it on themselves at critical moments for "the book," to make faster getaways.

WHAT are the best surroundings for meal-times? We want an environment where our digestion is stimulated and our senses soothed.

The art of eating as apart from merely swallowing food varies in different countries, but talk at the table is always welcomed, whatever the language.

Talk, if it is pleasant or stimulating, is a pleasant sauce, whereas a dull, prosy monologue is like a heavy coating of white sauce which hides all beneath with its tasteless surface.

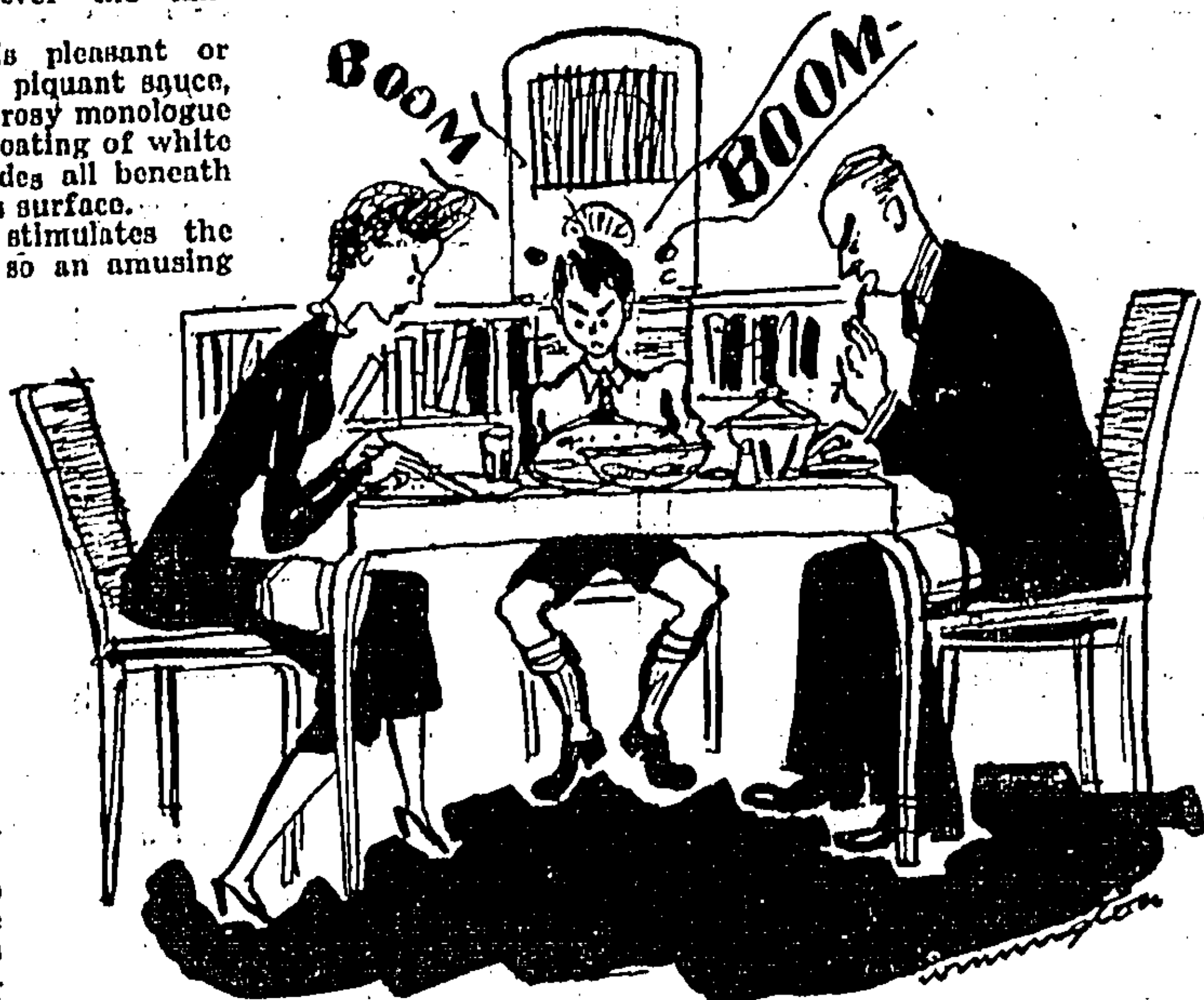
Just as soup stimulates the digestive juices so an amusing story gets the party going and creates an easy atmosphere. Light, amusing talk will help on the real business of enjoying a good dinner and of digesting it easily.

Arguments have quite a different effect, especially when the subject is political or religious. The blood which is necessary to the stomach for its process of assimilating food is diverted to the brain and so a natural physiological process is upset.

This is especially true of family discussions at the table. So many people, especially women, air all their grievances at meals; nothing will teach them the folly of such a course. One would think that they rather enjoyed spoiling a good dinner by poisoning it with bitterness. This is really what happens: the liver becomes upset and the bile thrown out results in a bad headache or a bilious attack next day. With others, quarrelling at the table may just paralyse the stomach muscles through strong nervous strain.

As well as our own physical and mental reaction to a miserable meal there is also the effect on our children or friends. If quarrelling is allowed the young members of the family soon indulge

Light Hearts Make Good Digestions



Whether to have the radio on at meals is a point on which families often differ.

in bitter remarks or teasing. When you are young and healthy it takes a lot to make you ill, but the cumulative effect is one of disgust for family meals and a wrong idea of domestic life.

The parents can soon learn self-restraint or patience between themselves and the children.

A mild correction of a child's manners is allowable because it makes more impression when delivered on the spot. Any serious debatable point between parents should be kept until the evening, when the children are in bed, the day's work is done, tempers have cooled down and the annoyances of the day have faded.

It is not always at the rich man's board that contentment

prevails. A poor family with meagre fare have more amusement, because unconsciously they realise how happiness deliciously flavours the plainest food.

Not the debatable subjects, nor the scientific subjects are suitable at meal times. The interest in debate or the eagerness to gain knowledge inhibits the digestion.

At the early part of the dinner such a conversation may have no ill-effect, but if complete relaxation after the meal is missed by close thought, then the breaking up and absorption of the food may be delayed for hours.

Any topic which causes grief or pain should never be broached at the table. The anguish

of sorrow is a destroyer of normal health; only light dishes and gentle words can rebuild body and spirit.

OTHER offenders against the laws of health are office workers who snatch at meals. There should be an inquiry into the hours of office workers like the recent one on servants. So many women prefer to have a snack at their desk rather than make the effort to get out for lunch. Some save the valuable hour by eating hastily at work and spending the rest of the time out of doors. These will not suffer so badly because at least they get fresh air and mental relaxation.

We need a revival of the art of living to fit present day rush and strain. It should be made illegal for anyone to read a business letter or to continue working whilst eating.

Lectures on physiology should be popularised so that tired stomachs, torpid livers and overworked gall-bladders would be given a chance to function properly because their owners understood how they worked.

Light conversation or any amusing book may be permitted at an office lunch. But the very atmosphere of work does not stimulate the bodily processes like a walk in the fresh air or the pleasant aroma from a restaurant. The sight and smell of food bring increased saliva to our mouths which acts reflexly by causing an outpouring of gastric juices. That is just the right moment to sit down to food, listen to music, or gaze upon others and make

FAILING these surroundings, some exercise should be taken after stopping work before beginning to eat. If we must eat alone a light book or a picture paper will distract our thoughts and help us to eat slowly.

Whether to have the radio on at meals or not is a point on which families often differ. Light music or singing which is not loud enough to deafen or to make talk impossible is quite pleasant. But loud musical noises or a harsh voice booming into the room upsets the general harmony.

Our sense of well-being and capacity to work depend on how we look after the fueling of that delicate engine, our body.

From A Tin Of Salmon

A TIN of salmon is a good standby to have in the larder for the unexpected guest—but how many people serve their tinned salmon hot?

Try it in white sauce:—Open a tin of salmon, and strain off the juice. Make an ordinary white sauce with butter, flour, and milk—but incorporate the salmon juice in the sauce. Don't forget to season well. Put the salmon (broken up) into the sauce to heat.

While it is heating make four small slices of toast. Dish the salmon mixture on this, and garnish with chopped hard-boiled egg, and parsley on top.

Salmon A l'italian

Scald, peel, and slice three tomatoes. Fry one minced onion in a little fat and lay on a greased fire-proof dish. Add half of the tomatoes.

Open a tin of salmon. Flake it up and lay on top of tomatoes. Season well. Put on remainder of tomatoes, and sprinkle well with white bread-crumbs.

Mix together the oil from the tinned salmon, the fat in which the onions were fried, and a tablespoon of water. Pour this over the mixture, and bake in a moderate hot oven 20 minutes.

Salmon Loaf

Flake up the contents of a tin of salmon. Mix in with it 2 oz. bread-crumbs, grated rind of ½ lemon, 1 teaspoon minced onion, 2 eggs well beaten, 1 gill milk, and seasonings of pepper and salt.

Pour all into a greased bread tin. Bake in a moderate oven 20-30 minutes. Turn out, and garnish with slices of lemon. Pour ½ pint white sauce round.

Try using tinned salmon with mashed potatoes for a fish pie; or combine it with rice, (cooked) for kedgeree. You will find the result is much tastier than using ordinary white fish.

Isobel

EGG, milk, and gravy stains should be sponged with cold water, then washed with hot water and soap.

Hot water should be used for chocolate or cocoa stains.

Eucalyptus oil will remove almost any stain. Rub well with a rag soaked in oil, then sponge with water.

Service For Your Wardrobe

TRIVIAL repairs, such as sewing on buttons or mending split seams, can cause waste of time and patience if they are done when one is getting ready to go out.

Trying to cope with them when one has a bus or train to catch is a harassing task; if they are done when there is leisure, they do not appear half the trouble.

To be systematic in your dealing with minor repairs is well worth while. When you notice a garment requiring attention in the slightest degree make a note of it on a small pad, such as—"Blue blouse—button. Tweed skirt—hem. Grey jacket—sleeve lining.

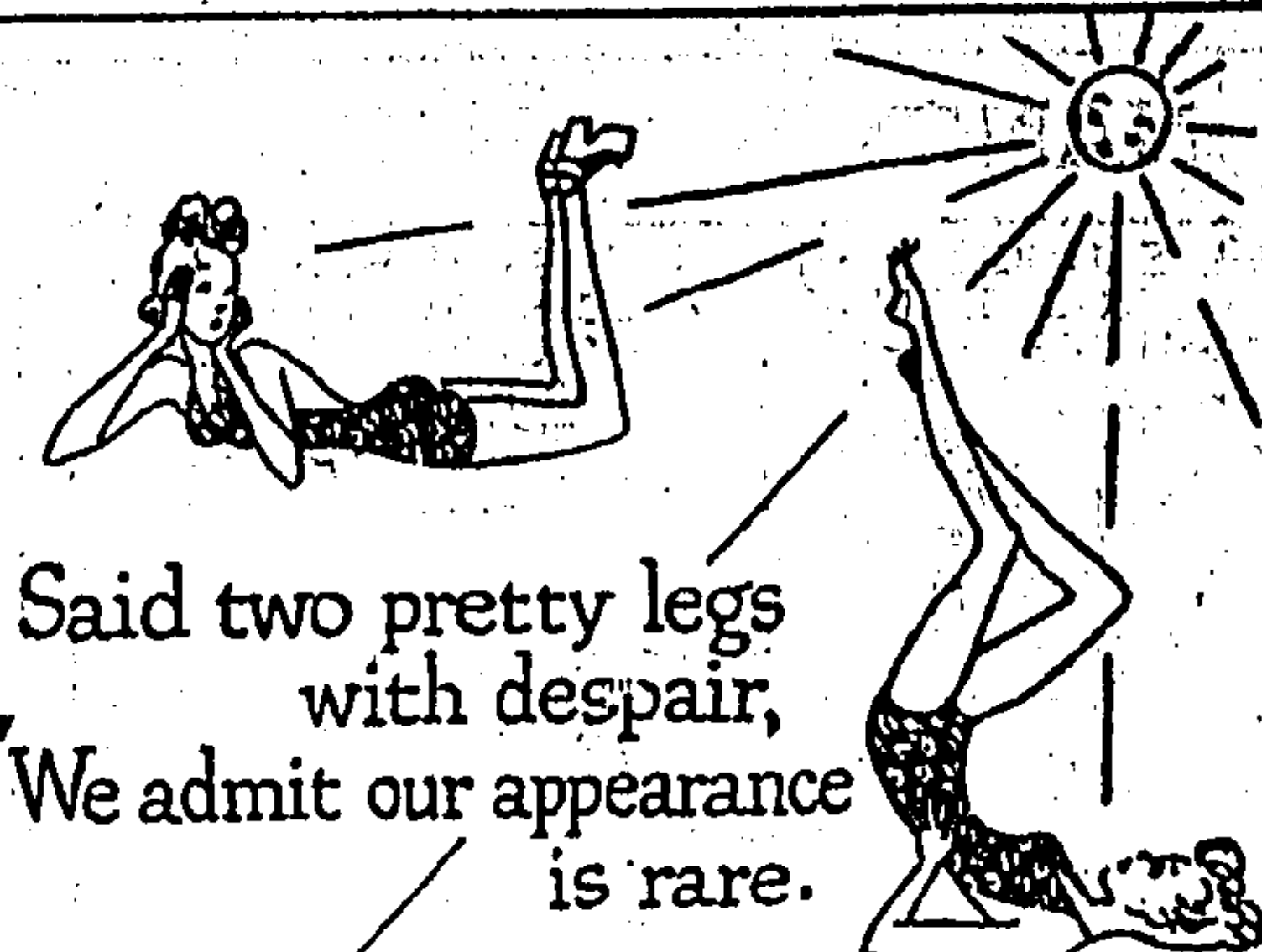
In spare moments you can work down the list, starting with the garment you may be requiring to wear at once, and each item is crossed off as it is finished. This list proves an infallible guard against letting these jobs accumulate.

More important still you will not experience the discomforting feeling which accompanies the knowledge of missing buttons, split seams and hems that have come untacked, a feeling which inevitably ruins poise and confidence in any woman wanting to look her best.

It is easy to procrastinate and push these mending jobs into the background. It is easier still to entirely forget that there are any to be done at all.

A list of such jobs to be done is highly effective for it proves a constant reminder if it is kept in a prominent place inside the wardrobe.

—Lyn Grey

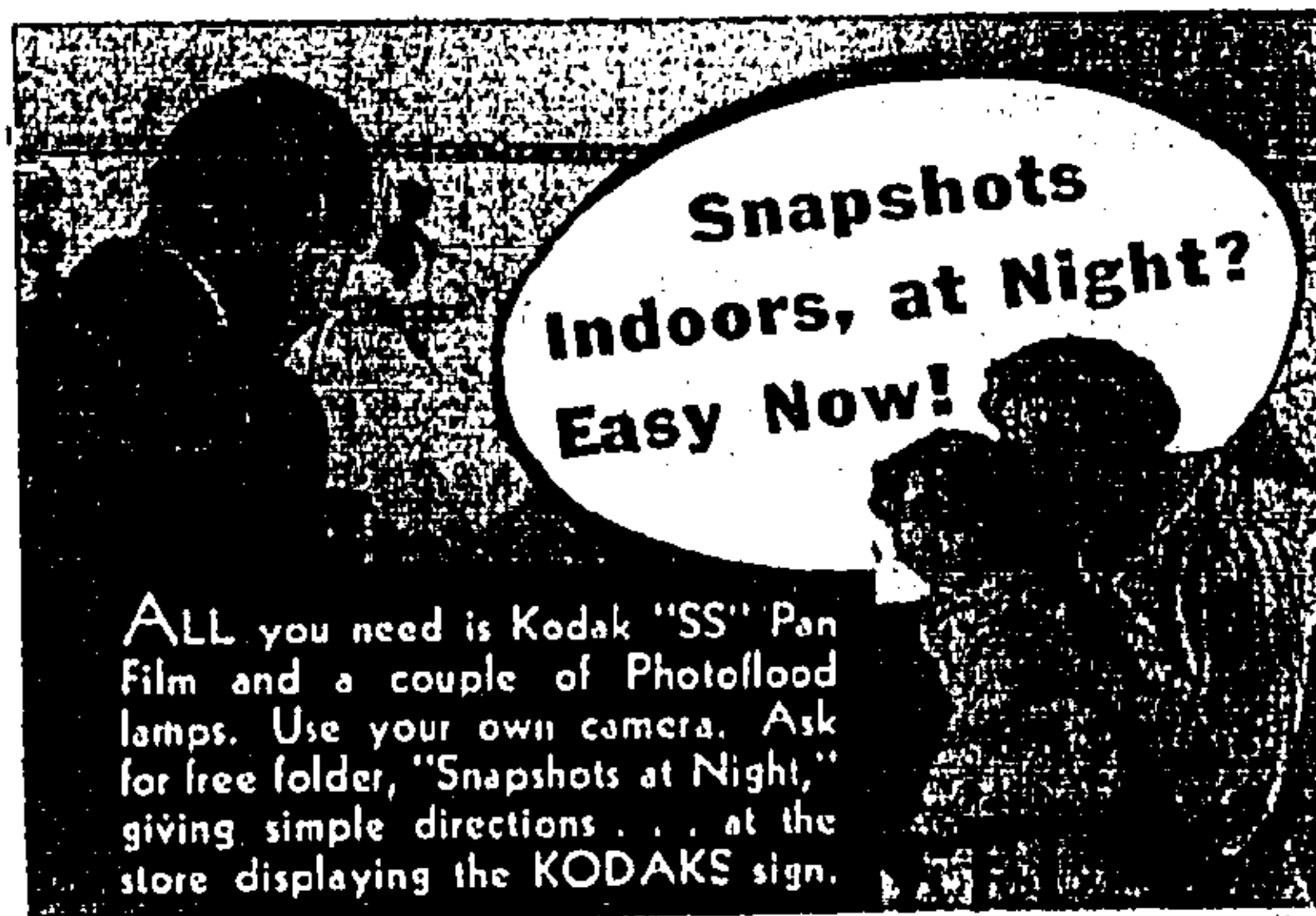


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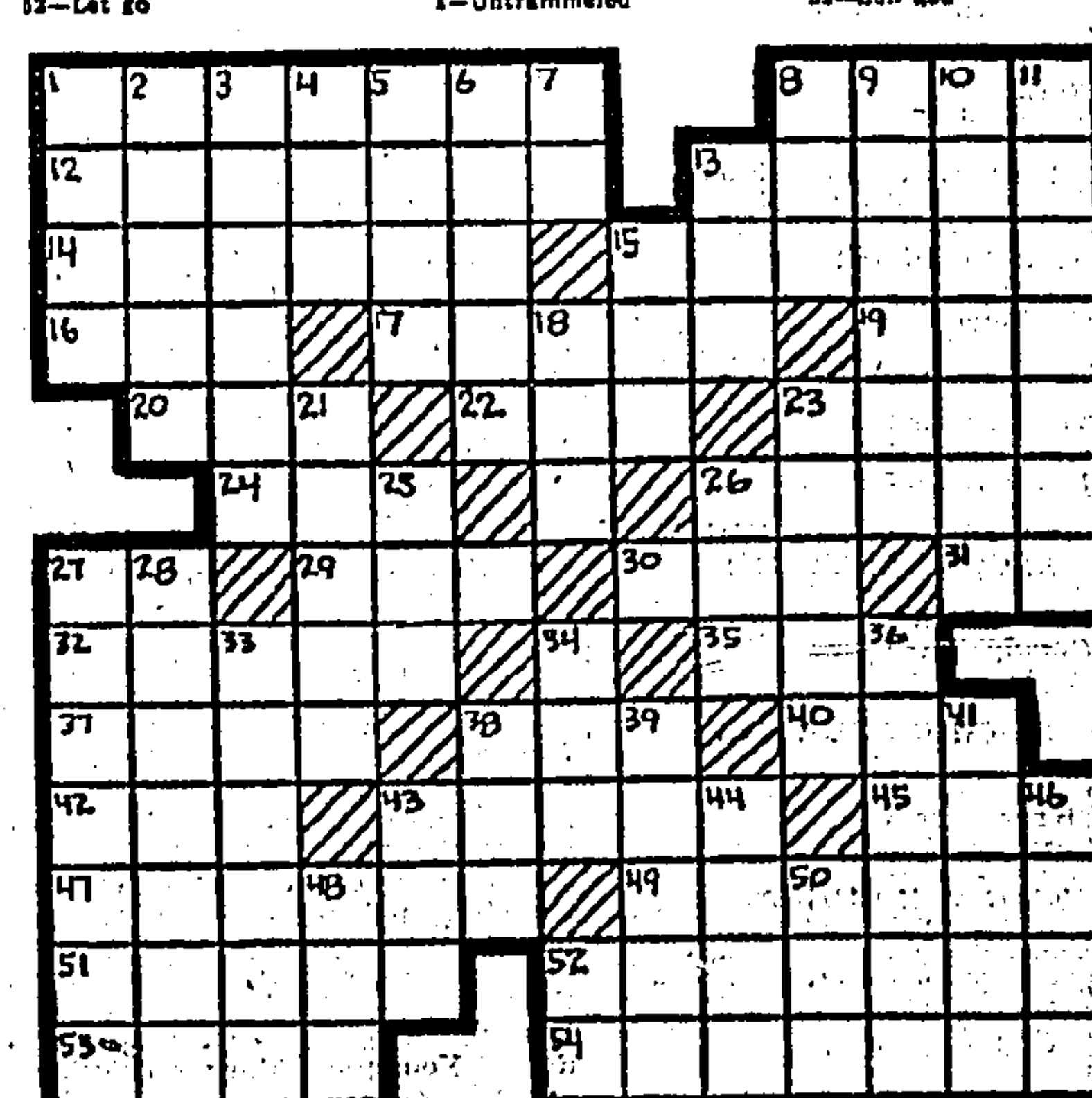
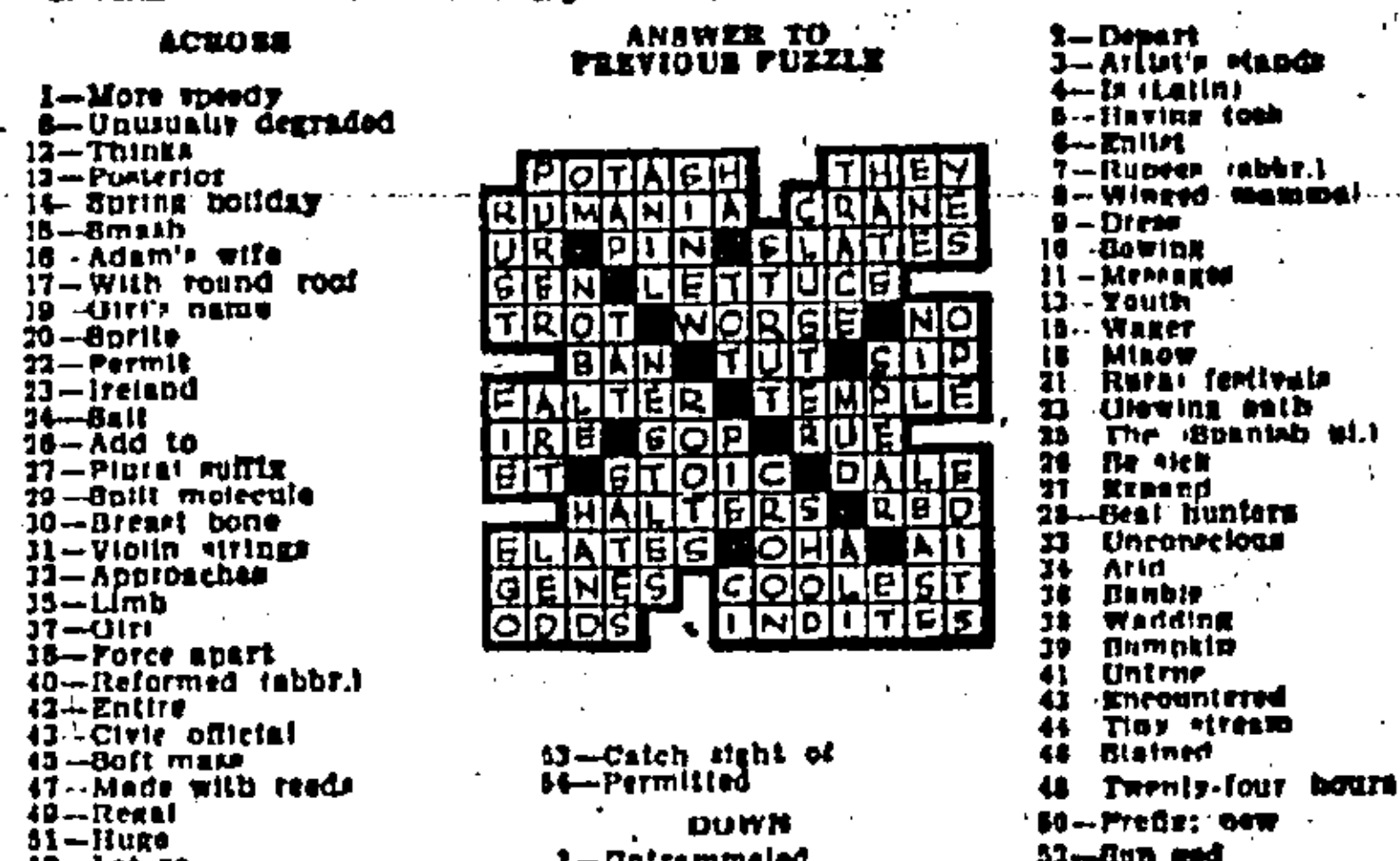
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What should a GAY GIRL WEAR?

By Mary Grace

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That is why I have had a look round for afternoon pretties—one for the daughter and one for the young married.

Let's describe the colourings. You see how they are made from the illustrations which were accurately sketched at Pontings from the actual garments.

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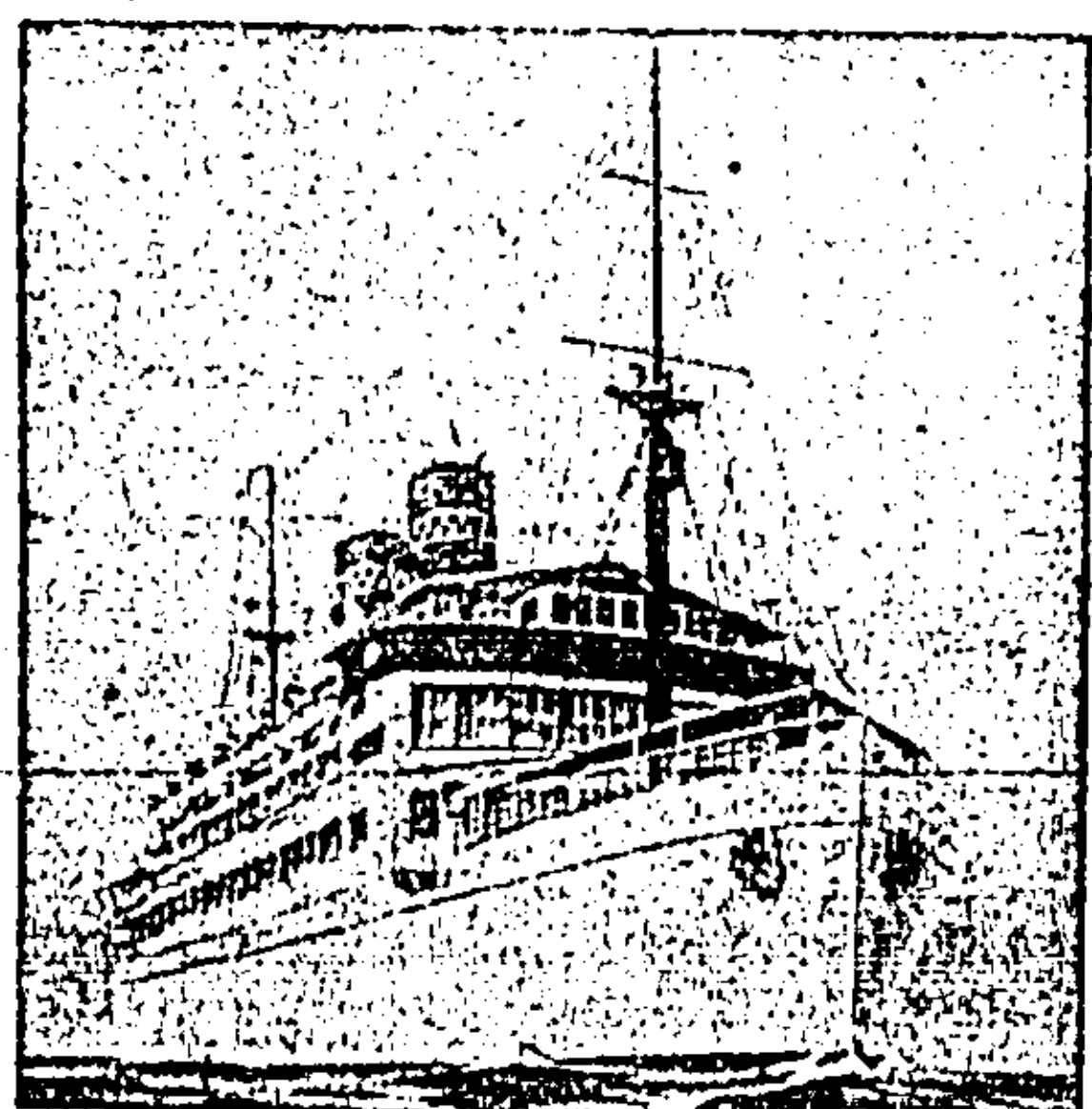
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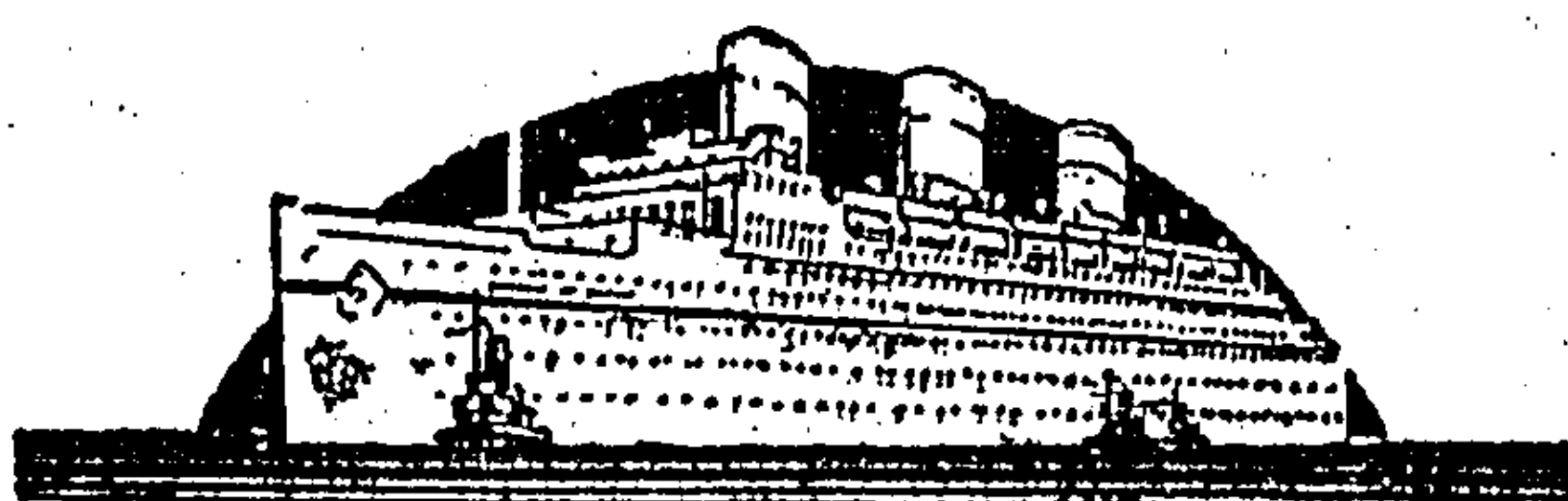
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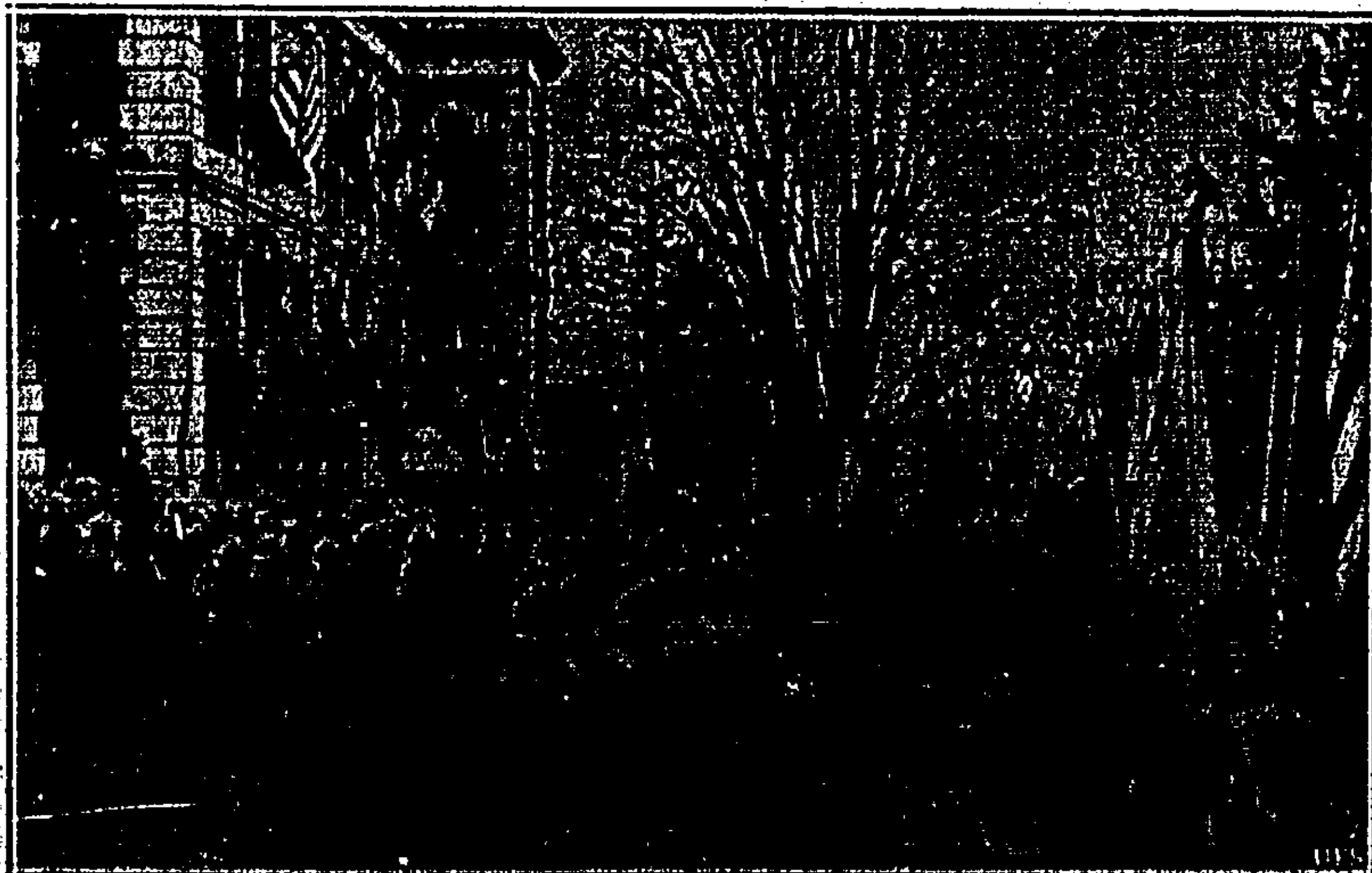
More German child refugees—this time 502 "non-Aryan" Christians and Catholics from Vienna—arrived recently at Fakenfield holiday camp near Lowestoft, England. Boy on the left cleans up his plate, while youngster, right, shields his face.



A heavy cloud of smoke covers the movements of the 65th Infantry, U.S. Army, stationed in Puerto Rico, during recent military manoeuvres for defence of the Panama Canal. The Army, under Col. John W. Wright, is defending a strategic point of land against an attacking party aboard a mythical ship off the island.



Icy blasts from the Northwest blew in a recent cold wave, with frigid weather from the Atlantic to the Rocky Mountains and from Canada to the Gulf, accompanied by snow and sleet in many sections. Here a Chicago harbour tug tows a small fishing boat to safety after it had been caught in a Lake Michigan ice jam.



Recent dedication of a shrine to the home in Cleveland, Ohio, of the late President John F. Kennedy. The shrine is located in the basement of the home where the President was born. The shrine is a small, simple structure with a statue of the President and a altar. The dedication ceremony was held on January 20, 1939.



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Japanese Planes Bomb West River Districts

Kongmoon, Feb. 2.
On January 30, several attacks were made on districts in the West River area by Japanese planes.

A number of bombs were released over Kowloon district by six Japanese raiders, causing some 40 casualties, Po.

while many houses were demolished in an attack on the city of Hekshan when over 20 bombs were dropped.

Handbills were scattered by another Japanese plane which flew over Shaping, a commercial town in Hekshan south of Kowloon.

A single Japanese plane appeared over this city at 11 a.m., but no bombs were released.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

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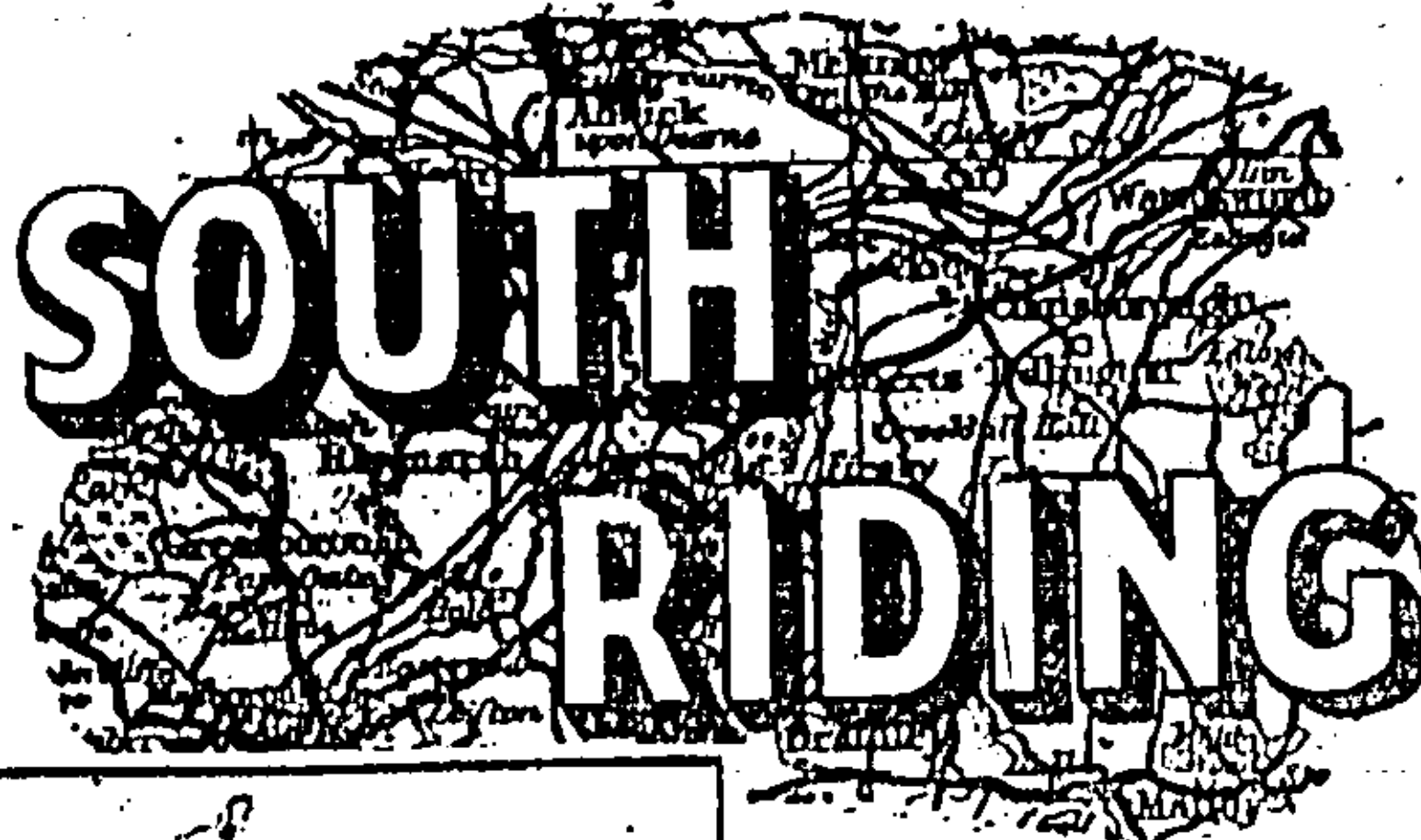
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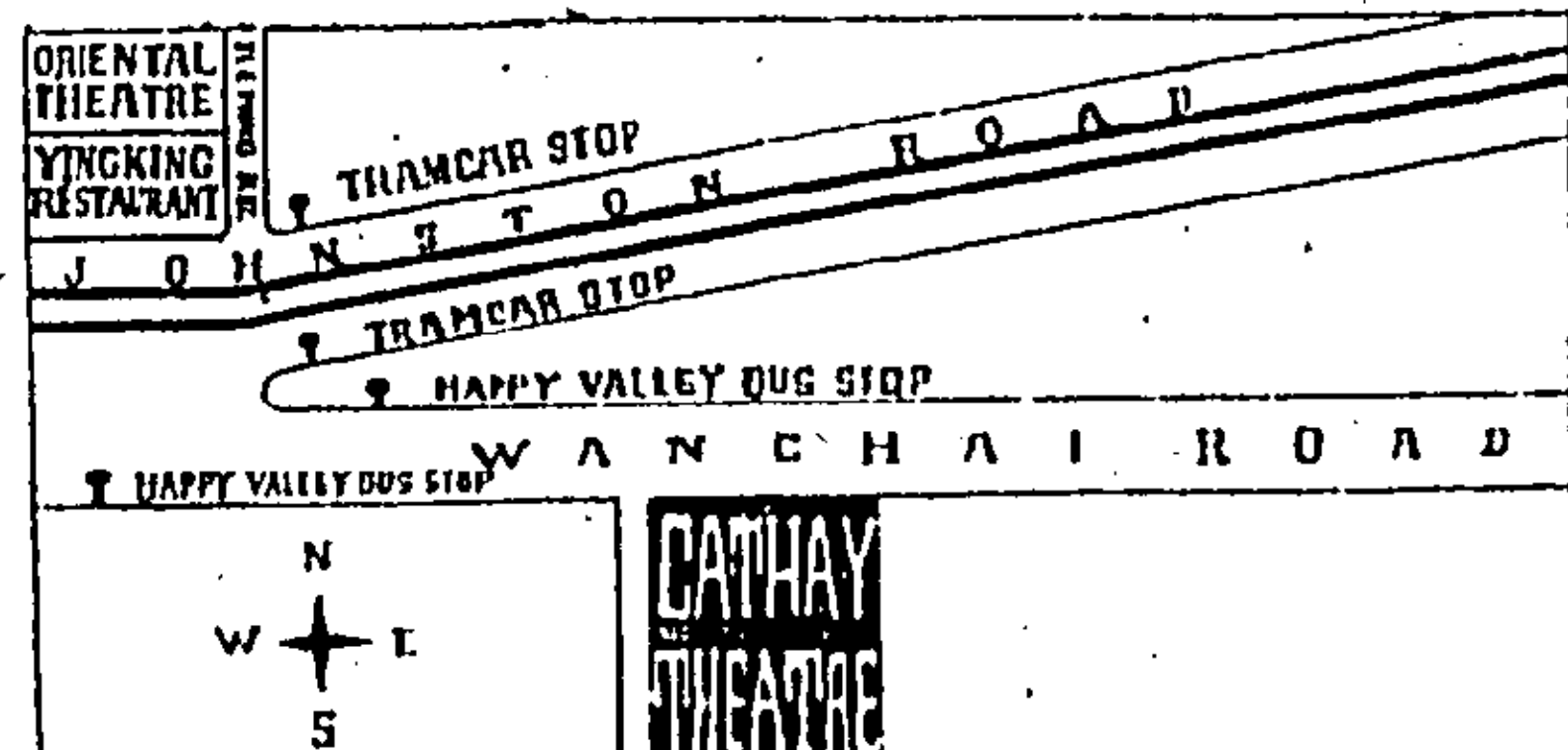
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Europeans Fined For Dog Offences

Lt. R. L. Boddy residing at Prince Edward Road, Kowloon, was fined \$5 by Mr. E. Himmworth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when he admitted a summons of allowing a white chow dog astray without a lead or muzzle on January 12.

Defendant claimed that he was unaware that his dog had left the house without lead or muzzle until he received the summons. It was quite possible that the dog had gone out on its own by way of the garden gate. The dog, said Lt. Boddy, was only a puppy, aged four months.

In imposing the fine, the magistrate told defendant that he should be more cautious.

DOG'S "PERIOD OF WILDNESS"

Mr. J. M. Jacks was fined \$8 for allowing his brown and white dog out in Cumberland Road at 8.30 on January 12, when he admitted the offence before Mr. E. Himmworth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Defendant claimed that he was unaware that his dog had gone out on the day in question. He received the summons, and this was the first time that he knew of the affair. Defendant further stated that he did not possess a "brown and white dog" as stated in his summons. His dog, a pointer, had a brown face, but was "definitely a black and white dog."

Mr. Jacks stated that his dog had been having a "period of wildness" for over a week and it was possible that the dog had gone out on its own.

Aid For China Not Pressure On Japan

Tokyo, Feb. 2.

Mr. Arita, Foreign Minister, stated to-day that it is too much to assume that economic pressure against Japan has been precipitately increased.

He denied that British and American assistance to Chiang Kai-shek was directed against Japan.

The Foreign Minister reiterated that Japan does not intend to close the open door to Third Powers. He said the establishment of a new order was to enable all people to assume their proper place.—United Press.

Lost Wallet, So Jumped into Harbour

Apparently upset at the loss of his wallet containing \$53, it is alleged that Chung Tai-chung, of Kowloon City, yesterday left the train on which he was travelling between Des Voeux Road Central and Leighton Hill, and threw himself into the harbour in an attempt to commit suicide.

He was rescued.

Chung was on his way to the police station to report his loss. The wallet was apparently stolen from him while he was on the train.

Two Months For Fraud

Charged on four counts of fraudulent conversion, the amount of \$55,700, entrusted to him by the Wing On Co., Ltd., Lau Yuet, 32, coolie, was sentenced to two months' hard labour by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning.

It was said that Lau was assigned to deliver goods on January 24, but he did not return with the money, which he had received. Defendant gave himself up at the Central Police Station on February 1.

TOKYO SEISMOGRAPH FOR CHILE

TOKYO, Feb. 3.

The Foreign Office has decided to contribute to the Meteorological Observatory of Santiago, Chile, a tromometer or seismograph designed by Dr. Imamura, President of the Japan Seismographical Society.

It is understood that the Chilean authorities applied for the presentation through the Japanese Legation in Santiago following the recent disastrous earthquake in that country.—Donet.

"Reuter" says that the Japanese fund for Chilean earthquake victims now exceeds £3,000.

Fines For Traffic Offences

W. Minderhoud, was fined \$5 by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning when summoned for leaving his car unattended outside the Mercantile Bank in Queen's Road Central on January 23.

The same fine was also imposed on T. D. Ting of Hennessy Road for a similar offence.

Lai Shiu-wing, lorry driver, was fined \$20 for driving his lorry along Canton Road West on January 25 without due care and caution.

Traffic Sergeant G. Youe prosecuted, and said defendant tried to pass another lorry while the road was crowded with pedestrians. His speed was about 20 m.p.h. and he had very little space to get through.

Pleading guilty to a summons of failing to have full control of his car in Wongneichong Road on January 25, a private car driver, Chu Ying, was fined \$20.

Defendant admitted that there were three persons sitting in the front seat while he was driving.

LADY DRIVER FINED

Miss V. Tkachenko, residing at Hankow Road, Kowloon, was fined \$5 by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when she admitted a summons of leaving her car unattended in the north side of Saigon Street, near the Majestic Theatre between 9.30 p.m. and 11.20 p.m. on January 11.

Captain R. F. Colson, I.C.A.M.C., of Gun Club Hill, was fined \$10 by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen when he admitted having failed to produce his licence when called upon to do so by a police officer on January 13.

CORPORAL SPEEDED

Corporal H. A. Polham, of the 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment, Shamshuipo Camp, was fined \$8 by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen when he admitted having driven a car at 38 miles per hour along Waterloo Road at 10.40 a.m. on January 11.

Defendant, in admitting the summons, said that he did not think that he was travelling at the speed mentioned, because he was approaching a cross road. He would not admit a speed of 38 miles per hour when nearing a cross-road. He had no speedometer on his car so could not suggest at what speed he was travelling at the time.

PADRE ABSENT

Father Dahlmann, of 20, Stafford Road, failed to put in appearance before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen this morning in answer to a traffic summons.

Traffic Sergeant Bethell informed the magistrate that defendant had left by plane for Europe and would be back at the end of the month. An adjournment sine die was asked for and this was granted.

Sordid Case In Court

Fifteen Girls Tell Of "Vultures"

Further efforts by the Police to suppress the traffic in women in the Colony was revealed at the Central Magistracy this morning, when a 30-year-old widow, Chan Ngai, was charged before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest with keeping the first floor of No. 50 Gage Street, as an immoral lodging house.

Defendant admitted the charge. Sub-Inspector R. McEwen who prosecuted said the place was raided at 8.40 this morning. Fifteen girls who were found on the premises admitted that they were prostitutes.

They revealed that they paid half of their earnings to the defendant for their lodgings.

The girls said that of each dollar they gained, 40 cents was paid to the brothel which was used, and thirty cents was paid to the defendant.

The rent collector for the floor was also present in Court. He said he had been paid rent by the defendant.

Inspector McEwen said nothing was known about defendant.

A fine of \$150 or three months' hard labour was imposed.

Woman Loses \$188 In Post Office

Mrs. A. Foreman, of Nathan Road, has reported to the Police that while she was in the General Post Office buying stamps yesterday, she either lost or had stolen from her the sum of \$188 in notes.

Mr. Simpson of Salwan Terrace, had a wrist watch, fountain pen, and a cigarette case to the value of \$93 stolen when some person broke into his house last night.

Sergt. Parnell, 1st Bn. Middlesex Regiment, reports that somebody broke into the barber shop at the barracks last night and stole articles valued at \$48.

China Re-Shuffles Its Cabinet

General Ho Ying-chin, the War Minister, will be shortly replaced by General Chen Chien, who is the Commander-in-Chief of the Hupeh front and concurrently head of the Political Bureau of the Military Affairs Council. It is learned from reliable Chinese sources.

General Ho Ying-chin who has been holding his post since the National Government was established in Nanking, will be most likely appointed to the chairmanship of the Kweichow provincial government.

The reshuffle, it is generally believed, indicates the strengthening of the resistance policy of the Chinese Government, as General Chen Chien is considered as one of the most fervent anti-Japanese generals under Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

While admiring General Ho Ying-chin's military ability, some young officers of the Army are stated not to be completely satisfied with the general's attitude towards the Sino-Japanese relation.

Southampton To New York Air Service

Washington, Feb. 2.

Imperial Airways hope to begin a scheduled seasonal service of an experimental nature between Southampton and New York on June 1, according to the British note published by the State Department.

The route will be from Southampton to Shannon, Botwood (Newfoundland), Montreal, and New York.

The flying boats will probably leave once a week in each direction, later increasing to twice a week.

United States officials state that it is believed American companies may be able to start a service between March 15 and March 31.—Reuter.

U. S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, Feb. 2.

New York Cotton

	Opening	Closing
March (1939)	8.39/39	8.39/39
May (1939)	8.08/09	8.10/10
July (1939)	7.78/79	7.81/81
Oct. (1939)	7.49/49	7.42/42
Dec. (1939)	7.49/49	7.44/44
Jan. (1940)	7.49/49	7.49/49
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New York Rubber

March (1939)	15.70b/82a
May	15.55/55
Sept.	15.55/55
Dec.	15.60b/68a

Sales for day:—320 tons

Chicago Wheat

May	69 3/4/69 3/4	69 3/4/69 3/4
July	68 3/4/68 3/4	68 3/4/68 3/4
Sept.	68 3/4/68 3/4	68 3/4/68 3/4

Wednesday's Sales:—5,778,000 bushels.

Chicago Corn

May	50 3/4/51	50 3/4/50 3/4
July	51 3/4/52 1/4	51 3/4/51 3/4
Sept.	52 1/4/52 3/4	52 1/4/52 1/4

Winnipeg Wheat

May	62 3/4/62 3/4	63/63
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Oct.		64/64

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